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BREACH IN JAPANESE LINE MENACES WING

Japanese Taierchwang Offensive Breaks Down

HITLER TALKS WITH IL DUCE TO BE SECRET

Rome, To-day.

Authoritative quarters here are inclined to believe that the talks between Hitler and Mussolini will be conducted in all their details in a strictly confidential fashion.

In this case it is unlikely that the official communique dealing with the points of discussion will be issued at the conclusion of the Fuehrer's visit to Italy.

Consequently the big detachment of 143 Germans and 160 other foreign journalists will, of necessity, be obliged to devote their reports to the accounts of the numerous military and other events, which figure so prominently in the diary of the visit.

BERLIN-ROME AXIS

It is intimated in reliable quarters that precisely at this moment when the Pact with Britain has been concluded and the preliminary conversations with France have been inaugurated, Italy is intent on proving to Germany and to the rest of the world that the policy of close German-Italian co-operation remains unaltered and that the two countries will continue in future to act in unison in handling issues of mutual concern.

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Severe Fighting In West Shantung

Hankow, To-day.

The breach in the Japanese lines east of Taierchwang has imperilled the position of the Japanese forces in the Hsinlungshi sector, according to reports telephoned from Hsuehchow this morning, stating that the Japanese offensive has broken down and that the Chinese troops are now violently counter-attacking.

The general advance in the Pih sien area is continuing, although the Japanese are fighting desperate rearguard actions.

In the meantime, severe fighting has broken out in West Shantung, where Japanese mechanised units launched an attack in the direction of Kinghsiang. It is claimed that the

onslaught failed completely and that the Chinese lines held firm.

Other reports state that Liangsang, only fifteen miles from Peiping, was occupied by a force of Chinese guerrillas yesterday. The Peiping-Hankow Railway in that vicinity was torn up. —Our Own Correspondent.

EXTENSIVE AIR EXPANSION BY FRANCE

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE AIR MINISTER, M. LACHAMBRE, ANNOUNCED TO THE PRESS LAST NIGHT THAT AN EXTENSIVE AIR CONSTRUCTION PLAN HAD BEEN DRAWN UP. THE FIRST INSTALMENT OF WHICH IS DUE TO BE COMPLETED IN THE SPRING OF 1939.

If the air staff then considered that the number of planes constructed was insufficient for the country's needs, planes would be bought abroad.

M. Lachambre revealed that since he became Air Minister he had given orders amounting to 1,600,000 francs from the 3,000,000,000 francs at his disposal.

He had decided to order four different prototypes of planes, instead of one, in order to facilitate mass production. —Reuter.

justification for this friendship between Germany and Italy.

This friendship, it declares, is Europe's only system of international solidarity which has registered positive and concrete results. It is indisputably the most effective system for achieving European appeasement.

KEYNOTE OF TALKS

This, in fact, supplies the keynote to the nature of the conversations which will be conducted between Hitler and Mussolini and between

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Rents Complaints May Be Sent To Colonial Secretariat

Following public complaints regarding the absence of any authority through which rents grievances could be brought to the attention of Government, the following notification was issued by the Colonial Secretariat this afternoon:

In the matter of the Report of the Rents Commission 1938:

Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of obtaining data regarding recent demands for increase in the rentals of domestic premises, particulars in writing of any demands for such increases of which notice has been given since 28th March, 1938, (i.e. the closing date, according to Part 1 paragraph 9 of the said Report, appointed by that Commission for receiving complaints) may be sent in to the Colonial Secretary. Verbatim copies of any relevant correspondence should accompany the particulars.

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Blouses Play Unprecedented Roles In The New Ensembles

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New York. The skirt and blouse costume style, now in vogue, offers the girl who has a clever sense of opportunity, a chance to create a charming wardrobe at a lower cost than is usually possible.

The fashion for the dresses having contrasted tops has led on logically to the almost unprecedented importance of blouses. The importance is, of course, confirmed by the vogue for suits in many styles and developed in materials hitherto not requisitioned for this purpose; but the newest story in blouses is their use independently of suits, as satisfactory complements of skirts to create a costume correct for wear at business, at functions and in the street when the season advances into warm weather. With one or two skirts and half a dozen blouses, many of the usual summer problems can be solved.

In the meantime a suit and a collection of blouses will see one through all daytime occasions. Those which are worn under jackets are the same in their styling as those which later will be used unjacketed for dresses.

DRESSMAKER TYPE

It is the dressmaker blouse which is winning the most whole-hearted support in this delicately feminine

season. For early wear opaque materials, such as silks, rayons, spur-rayon mixtures are attractive. Taffeta and surah plaids and dots, set squares and circles, challis patterns and plain fabrics are all in the running; and the styling is characterised by hand detail, high necks, jabots and short sleeves. Tuck-in types and over-blouses are equally smart. The choice between them should be made on the basis of what is becoming. The figure which has difficulties is often better served by an over-blouse, whereas for the slim, young body the tuck-in has greater dash.

PASTEL SHEERS

White and pastel sheer blouses are among the most fascinating of the season's femininities. Although they are designed to be worn with suits, the removal of a jacket will no more disrupt the costume than

does the removal of a bolero from a frock, to which it is added as an outside accessory. When mercury soars into its upper reaches, blouses of this type will be refreshing in offices and on hot pavements.

The loveliest of these blouses are hand-sewn and are fashioned of silk triple-sheer, of filmy crepe, of organdy, batiste, swiss, voils and such diaphanous fabrics. Exquisite with tiny tucks worked into sections, such as vestees, panels, yokes, dainty little collars, and softly flaring cuffs, and wearing in front cascading ruffles, lace-edged and hand-faggoted, and further decorated, it may be, with row upon row of shirred Valenciennes, they are the last word in daintiness and charm. Their colours are a tender as a sky at sunset or a garden in moonlight—dusky pink, pale blue, aqua, clear yellow, violet, and, of course, white.

Blouses are used, too, for dinner dresses and two-purpose ensembles. For instance, a jet sequin blouse was seen modelled with a long skirt and then the long skirt was replaced by a short one, composing a smart dress for an important afternoon function.

SEASON OF MANY SUITS

This is to be a season of suits. Two-colour schemes, contrasting fabrics and novelty in design all bring unusual variety to this theme. For the sporty-looking suit in the picture navy blue wool is used. It is trimmed with shaped



Colours and fabrics are mixed in this smart sports suit in navy blue woollen material, with red antelope fronts to coat.

Making Small Cakes And Biscuits

AFTERNOON tea-time always calls for small cakes and biscuits as attractive to the eye as to the palate, and the recipes given here should adequately fill both demands. Try some of these

cakes and biscuits when next baking day comes around.

Chocolate Wheels

Take 1½ cupfuls flour, 1 egg-yolk, ¼ cupful sugar, 1oz. unsweetened chocolate, 1 or 2 tablespoonfuls milk, ½ cupful butter, ½ teaspoonful baking powder, pinch salt.

Sift the flour and baking powder into a basin. Beat butter to a cream in another basin. Stir in sugar by degrees, and beat till fluffy. Beat and add egg-yolk to milk. Add flour and liquid alternately to butter and sugar, beating constantly. Add salt. Cut dough into two portions. Melt and add chocolate to one portion. Leave dough until cold, then roll each out into an oblong sheet, less than a quarter of an inch thick. Place the chocolate sheet on top of the other. Roll up like a Swiss roll. Stand in a cool place. Cut into slices, and place on a greased baking sheet. Bake in a hot oven for ten minutes.

Jap Cakes

Take 3 egg-whites, 6 oz. ground almonds, 6 oz. castor sugar, coffee, butter, icing, glace cherries.

Line a baking sheet with paper. Brush with melted butter. Beat egg-whites to a stiff froth. Stir in sugar and ground almonds. Spread mixture evenly on baking sheet. Place in a moderate oven. When almost cooked, but not quite set, remove from oven. Cut into rounds with a one and a half inch pastry cutter. Return to oven. Cook till pale brown and crisp. Remove round from oven, but leave trimmings to bake till a rich brown, then rub through a sieve. When cold, spread half the rounds with coffee butter icing. Sandwich with remainder of rounds. Coat top and sides thinly with butter icing. Pass cakes through prepared crumbs. Decorate with glace cherries.

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Straws Are In The Wind

Straws in the wind! This summer is going to be straw seasons in millinery, which trend is one of the many style facets that reflect the 90-s, when to wear felt in winter and straw in summer was a fashion axiom.

Of course the tradition has not been taken over bodily. The tailored casual hats of felt are more than usually attractive in shape, draping and pastel tones and off-shades. Then there are such fads and fancies as turbans of silk jersey, and chiffon jersey, often in Roman stripes, and of India silk and striped or ombre crepes. Some of them wear scarfs that twist around the neck and shoulders, and others are sold with matching detached scarfs. Satin, suede and leather also poke their faces into the picture, sometimes forming entire hats but more often satisfied to crown a straw brim or a visor.

THESE PREDOMINATE

Nevertheless, as has been said, it is a straw season, and one in which the rough and lustrous types predominate over the sheers. Among those present are Tuscan and Jumbo-Tuscan; Baku and hand-woven Shantung-Baku; Panama and Paper-Panama; Milan, Toyo, Avila, Picot, Paillosson, and also straw braids.

The great story in hats, however, is not their materials, not even the gardens that bloom on them nor the brilliance of the flowers, but the planes and angles of their basic structure, their chin straps, bandeaux and snoods—essential for head-gripping with the current shapes—and the placement of their trimming.

CROWNS SUPPRESSED

Although the off-the-face silhouette has survived and wears great halo or shovel brims, the new silhouette is flat and worn tilted over one eye. Crowns are either suppressed or—less often—exaggerated. When exaggerated they tower to incredible heights on "flower pots," pokes and sombreros; when suppressed it is done in such amazing ways that it leaves a sense of their presence and one thinks a great deal about them! Absent from the disc, laid low under the salad-bowl brim, flat and ineffectual on the sailor, also shallow on the Watteau, rising not as structure but as decoration, diminutive and pyramidal, from the top-centre of the bumper-edged saucer, or the mushroom, or behind the upward and forward thrust of the boat brim, they are important whether grotesqued, absent or diminished! Moreover, their normal position is very frequently stressed by the position of the trimming.

A little nutmeg sprinkled on porridge is a great improvement.

DROP a few grains of rice in the salt-cellar before filling with salt and prevent dampness.

LANDSCAPED BONNETS

Although the first hats introduced featured stitching, tucking, drapery, appliques, quills, what



The 1938 Sailor—or One of Them—Translated From the Gibson Girl Idiom.

is blooming be the sub-tropics is flower gardens. And these, on our landscaped bonnets, are frequently perched on the site of that eminence which was once a crown.

They rise, in other words from the centre-top of the plateau. Of course this is not invariably their pose; one may see them, too, when crown and brim are differentiated, directly in front or at the left side. There is also considerable under-brim trimming and a cluster of flowers may form a deep bandeau.

Flowers are naturalistic and many of them very large, and they are combined into bouquets of soft contours and many colours, with which wheat is sometimes mixed and also soft bows of velvet ribbon in muted colours. Hat pins have been brought back, although with bobbed hair their usefulness except as ornaments, is nil. They wear large, stone-encrusted heads and are sheathed. Veils are everywhere. A good deal of coarse mesh is used and the circular shape, so easy for an amateur to drape, tends to be replaced by rectangular pieces.

Coarse mesh is used also for deep bandeaux. Ribbon tied in swallow-tail bows at the back of the head is one of the most decorative of the wind-repellant attachments. Chin straps are for those who like them. They are made of ribbon, leather, and, in the case of felt or fabric hats, of self-material. They are frequently carried quite a distance up the body of the hat, on the outside, and in the case of tailored felts they are often so placed as to compress the brim at each side.

Dark or neutral colours are the natural foil for brilliant flowers. Black, brown, beige, burnt wheat, biscuit, navy, yuan-blue, are excellent back-grounds, and certain colours prevail among certain shapes—such as burnt wheat in a Merry Widow sailor. Copper, red-tan, Bordeaux, and purple are also modish colours and can be harmoniously combined with certain flowers, fruits and plumage to produce subtle effects.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

PREVENTS KNOTTY THREAD

When quilting or making many buttonholes, often the thread knots and causes delay and inconvenience. To avoid this, I put spool of thread in small container and melt enough paraffin to cover the thread. Then I boil it for seven minutes, remove and let it dry for several hours before using.

(Mrs.) H. P. J., Idaho.

AN IDEA FOR A SUMMER CAMP

Save the caps from beverage bottles and cover a heavy board, the size of a door mat, with these caps, turned rough side up, and placed side by side in rows. Drive a nail through the centre of each cap. This makes a good scraper for shoes.

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APPEAL AGAINST LIFE SENTENCE SUCCEEDS

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEAL THIS MORNING, FATEH KHAN, ONE OF TWO INDIAN GUARDS SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT FOR THE MANSLAUGHTER OF HAYAT MOHAMMED, APPEALED SUCCESSFULLY AGAINST THE CONVICTION AND WAS DISCHARGED.

THE APPEAL OF SHER ZAMAN, THE OTHER APPELLANT, WAS DISMISSED.

The appeals were heard by Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser.

Mr. George She, instructed by Mr. A. S. K. Lau, represented Fateh Khan, and Sher Zaman was represented by Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ.

Quashing the sentence on Fateh Khan, Mr. Justice Lindsell said in part:

UNDULY INFLUENCED

"We are of opinion that this appeal must be allowed. We feel the jury must have been unduly influenced by the evidence of statements implicating appellant made by the deceased immediately after the attack upon him. The jury were not warned at any stage of the proceedings that those statements were not evidence against appellant, save in so far as he accepted them, and in the absence of such warning it can hardly be doubted that they attached considerable importance to them. It is admitted that the Crown relied on those statements on the ground that they were made in the presence of the appellant in circumstances calling for a denial by him if they were untrue, and contended that since he made no denial he should be deemed to have admitted their truth.

"We find, however, that there is no evidence that the appellant accepted those statements or any part of them. On the contrary, he denied those statements as soon as they were made.

RELIEVED OF ONUS

Mr. Bailey's evidence does not carry the Crown any further since it established no more than that when on his arrival at the bungalow deceased pointed at the two accused and said they had been fighting with him, first accused said "I did it" and later "I done all, Sahib." We find it difficult to appreciate the Crown's contention that in such circumstances the appellant should be deemed, because he did not himself deny the accusation, to have accepted it as true.

The confession of first accused, shouldering full and sole responsibility for the crime, was in our view sufficient to relieve the appellant of the onus of making any answer.

NO EVIDENTIAL VALUE

In these circumstances, we are of opinion that as against appellant no evidential value can attach to the accusations levelled against him by deceased, and that had the jury appreciated this they must have felt that on the other evidence before them they could not reasonably convict the appellant, even though they considered his own testimony to be in the main unreliable.

Although it was not relied on by Counsel for the appellant there is one point in the evidence that tells not a little in the appellant's favour. It was apparently part of the Crown case that whoever at the time rang the alarm bell it was not the appellant, and yet not one of the witnesses called by the Crown admitted having done so.

Lall Khan, Yeung Lai Chiu and Noor Khan each deposed that he heard the bell ringing, but appellant alone claims to have rung it.

For these reasons it appears to us that such a substantial miscarriage of justice has occurred in this case as to justify us, as we are empowered to do in setting aside the conviction.

The appeal is therefore allowed, the conviction quashed and the appellant discharged.

SECOND APPEAL

Addressing the Court this morning Mr. Fitzroy dwelt mainly on the summing up of the Chief Justice. Counsel pointed to several passages which Counsel submitted told the jury that this case was a case of murder and nothing else.

Mr. Fitzroy contended that when the jury returned a verdict of manslaughter, the learned trial judge met this verdict with that in his mind, and gave the appellant the maximum sentence. Mr. Fitzroy submitted that as the other appeal had supported his claim that his client was not assisted, was ground for reduction of sentence.

KILLED WITH MALICE

The Puisne Judge said: "In our view, there was abundant evidence to justify the learned trial judge in his view that this case could well have

REICH LOAN SUCCESS

Berlin, To-day.

The Reich loan for one milliard marks, the lists of which are open until to-day, has already been oversubscribed.

It is expected that the limit will be raised by 250,000,000 marks.—Reuter.

FRANCE TO BUILD MORE STEAMSHIPS

Paris, To-day.

Another stage in the recovery and rearmament programme of the Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, was announced yesterday in the form of a plan to construct 500,000 tons of merchant shipping in three years.

In addition, the shipping subsidy is to be raised from 5,000,000 to 30,000,000 francs per year.—Reuter.

MORE JUNKS BURNED OUT

Information received by the Hong Kong Fishermen's Union records the burning of three more junks just outside Hong Kong waters by a Japanese armed trawler.

The boats left the Colony with cargoes of rice and were stopped by the Japanese, who ordered the boats to proceed to an island occupied by them.

The rice was transferred to the island, while the crews, about 30 people, were put into a small boat, and the junks set on fire.

Later, the Japanese captured a fishing junk and forced the master to bring the 30 persons to Hong Kong.

TWO INCHES OF RAIN

Rainfall in the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, as the result of the typhoon, totalled 1.96 inches, bringing the aggregate since the beginning of the year to 14.75 inches against an average of 12.09 inches.

The temperature at 10 a.m. was 83 degrees, rising to 87 degrees at about 1 p.m. The maximum yesterday was 78 degrees, falling to 74 degrees during the night.

been nothing else but murder and in so directing the jury.

"Justification for the sentence was in the natural horror and indignation which the case aroused. The law recognises the principle that killing with malice is punishable with life sentence and in our view such circumstances were present in this case. The appeal is dismissed."

CHINESE COLUMN UNABLE TO HOLD GAINS IN TANCHENG SECTOR

Shanghai, To-day.

Reports received here state that the Chinese launched a violent offensive along all fronts in southern Shantung yesterday morning and have recorded considerable success in the course of yesterday's fighting.

It is claimed that one Chinese column reached the outskirts of Tancheng last night, but were forced to retire after a skirmish with the Japanese lasting several hours.

Japanese planes are supporting the infantry, who however it is reluctantly admitted by Japanese officials here, have been halted on all fronts.

An attempt to disrupt communications along the Lung-Hai Line was made by a fleet of Japanese bombers yesterday, but no serious damage was done. Traffic has not yet been suspended.—Our Own Correspondent.

MA ON SHAN'S TRIP

It is taken for granted in naval circles that Squadron Leader G. Francis, who is sailing to Singapore in the ketch, Ma On Shan, accompanied by his wife, has not run into any difficulties as the result of the typhoon.

The Ma On Shan which left on Saturday, carries a radio set, and Squadron Leader Francis would have picked up typhoon warnings and proceeded accordingly.

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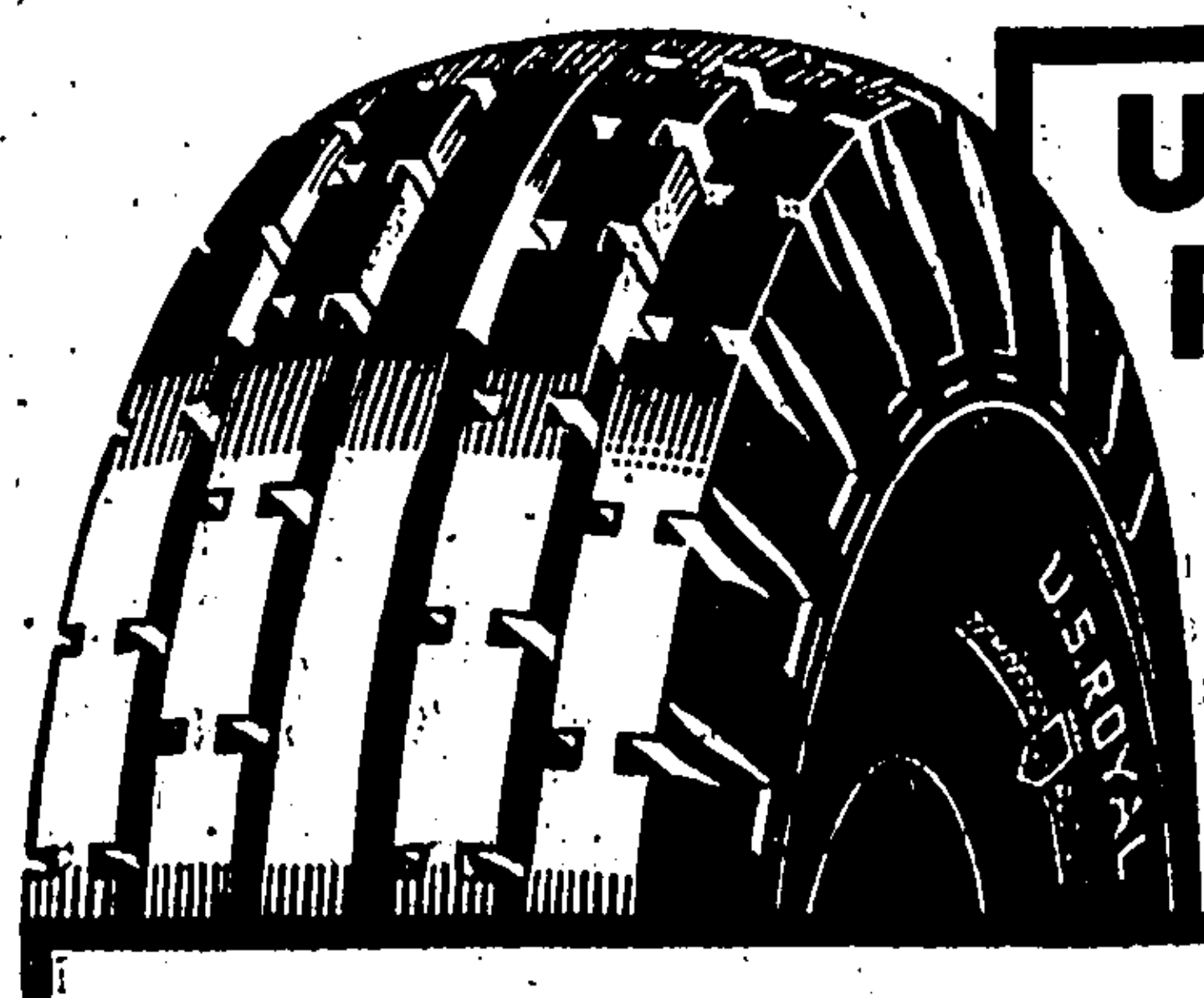
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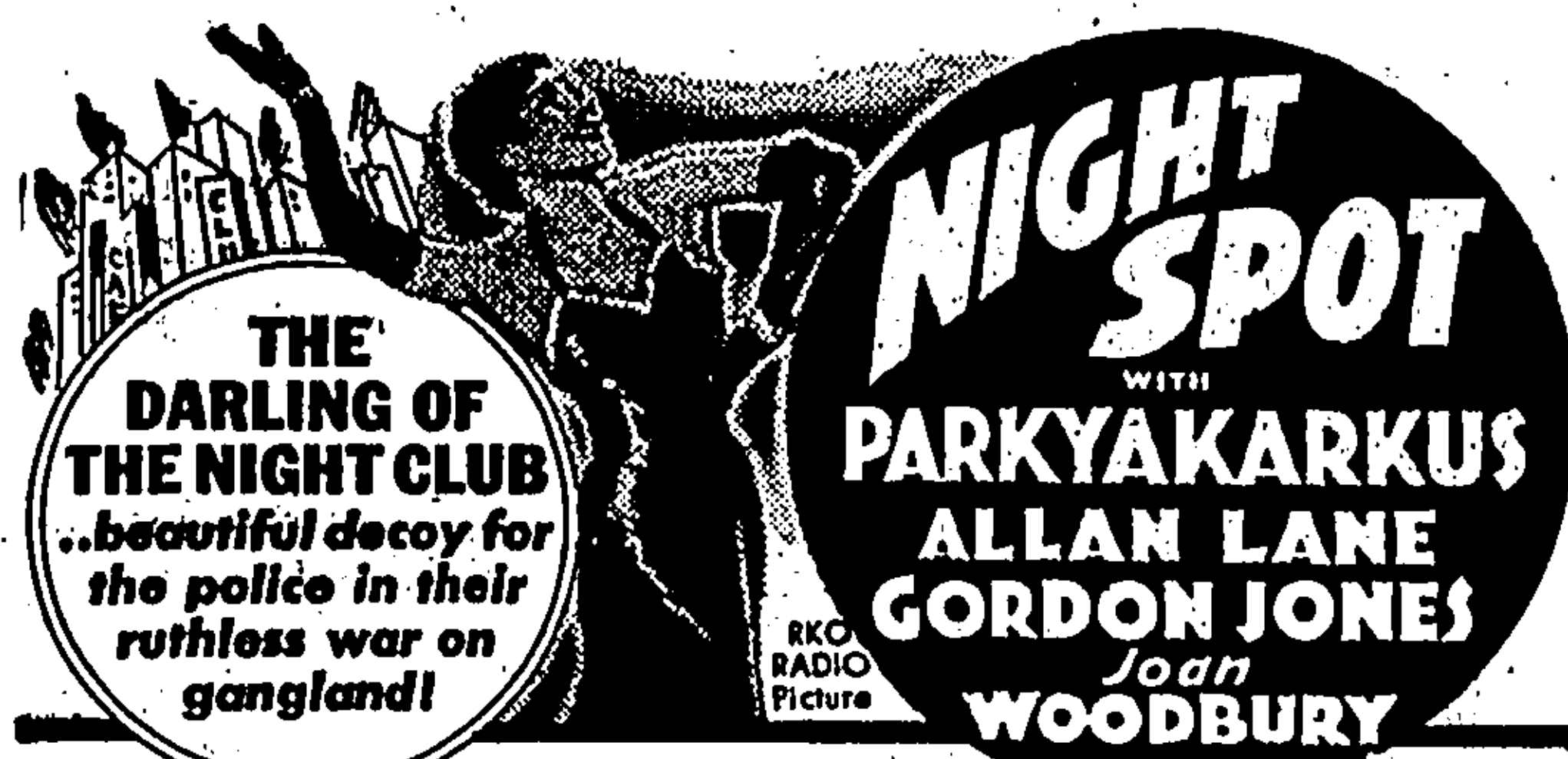
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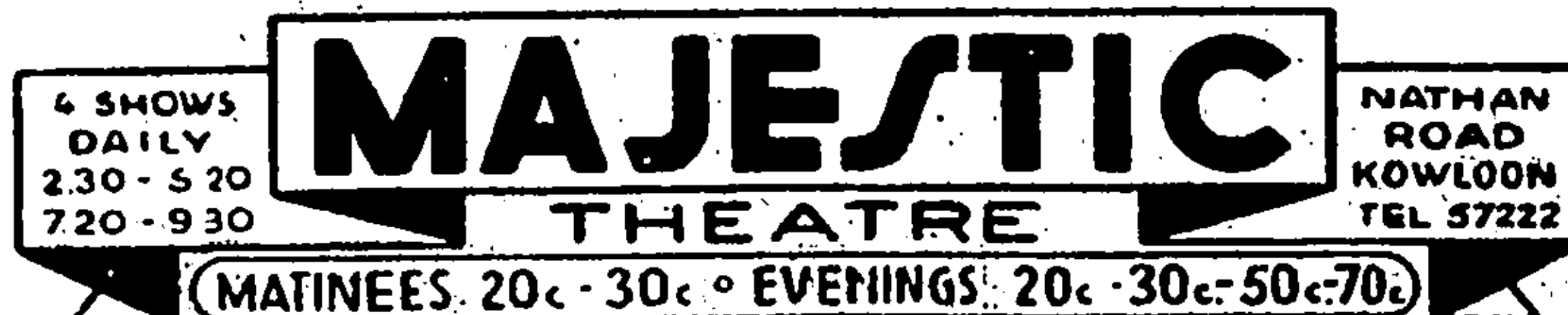
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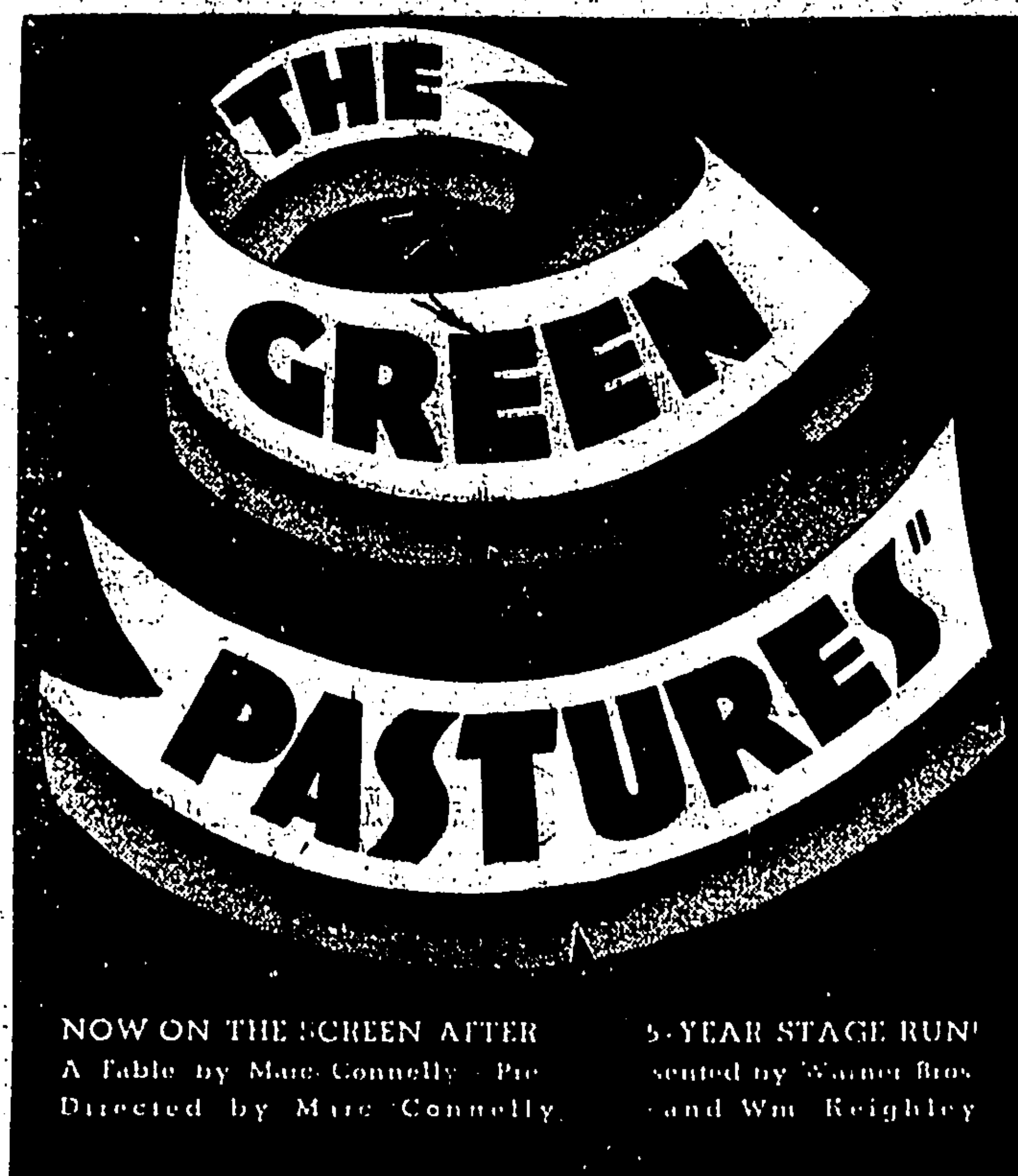
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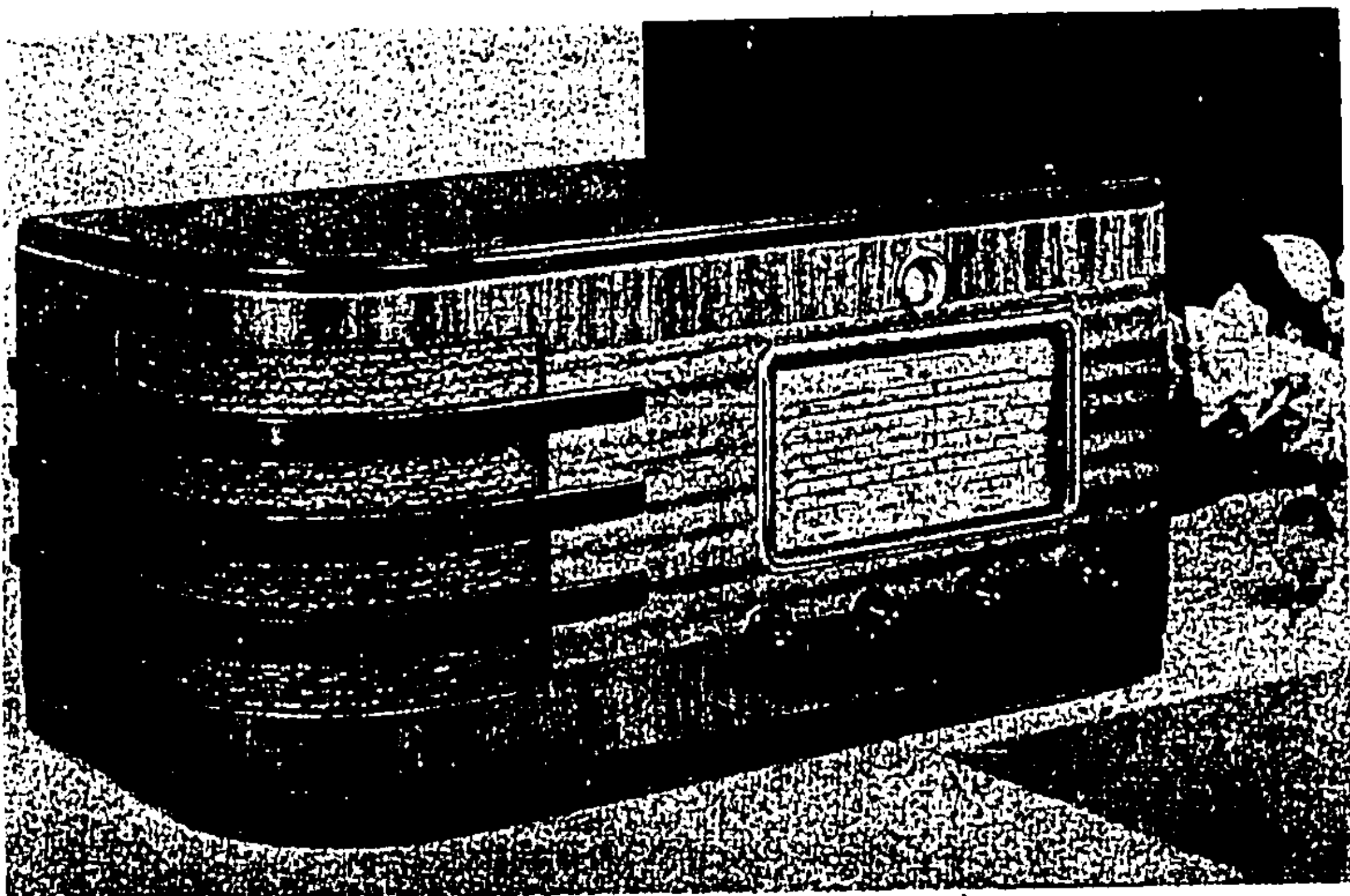
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Mr. C. A. Goldenberg, of Messrs. T. J. Bridge and Sons, was this morning fined \$20 by Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy when summoned for failing to answer a juror's summons on Monday at the inquest of the late Mr. C. Lam. Defendant pleaded that he was the only European in the firm

and could not leave the office that day.

While driving in King's Road yesterday, near the South China Bathing shed, Mr. J. H. Hodgkins knocked down Li Pak-chau, a cook, who was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from injuries to the leg and shoulder.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI IN UNIFORM OF CORPORAL OF FASCIST MILITIA

ROME, TO-DAY.

PUNCTUALLY ON THE STROKE OF 8.30 LAST EVENING, ADOLF HITLER ARRIVED HERE AT THE OUTSIDE STATION, WHERE UPON ALIGHTING FROM HIS SPECIAL TRAIN, HE WAS WARMLY WELCOMED BY KING VICTOR EMMANUEL AND BENITO MUSSOLINI. ALSO PRESENT AT THE STATION WERE DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES OF JAPAN, MANCHUKUO, YUGOSLAVIA AND INSURGENT SPAIN. THE MEMBERS OF THE GERMAN EMBASSY WERE DRESSED IN THEIR NEW DIPLOMATIC UNIFORM.

The Duce wore the uniform of an Honorary Corporal of Fascist Militia, whilst the King was dressed in honour of the occasion in the uniform of First Marshal of Fascist Militia.

As the Fuehrer left the station, an overwhelming ovation from the huge assembly composed of delegations of the Italian army and of Fascist Party formations, as well as delegations of the Italian sections of the National Socialist Party, gathered on the semi-circular square outside the station. The vast crowds lined the streets and burst into enthusiastic cheering as the procession of 15 coaches passed on its way to the Quirinal, where the Fuehrer has taken up his residence.

The first coach contained Count Giori, Master of Ceremonies, the Emperor's adjutant-general the adjutant of the Fuehrer and the Emperor's adjutant, then followed the historical State coach in which Adolf Hitler was seated with Victor Emanuel.

CITY WELCOME.

The procession halted beneath the Porta San Paolo, the historic gate in the Aurelian wall near the Cestius Pyramid where the Fuehrer upon entering the old city was welcomed by Don Piero Colonna, the Governor of Rome and twelve members of the Roman City Council.

After having passed through the streets slowly towards the brilliantly illuminated Piazza Raudus Colonna, the procession passed on its majestic way to the Royal Quirinal palace.

ANTHEMS SUNG

Adolf Hitler and Victor Emanuel alighted from the Royal coach. Slowly the King conducted his guest to his suite of rooms. Vast crowds of people before the palace began to chant in chorus.

At half past nine, only one hour after Adolf Hitler had arrived at the Ostiense station to set off on his four-mile drive through Rome, he appeared along with his Royal host on the balcony of the Quirinal Palace.

The assembled multitude sang the German and Italian anthems. In many places the crowds broke through the powerful cordon in order to get a clear view of the two rulers. At the time of cabling, the crowds had made no signs of evacuating the square in front of the palace. The Duce did not accompany the procession on its journey to the Quirinal Palace.

HONOUR CONFERRED

After he had met several members of the diplomatic Corps, assembled at the station and had passed from coach to coach greeting each member of the Fuehrer's suite, he drove back to the Palazzo Venezia. Immediately after his arrival at the Quirinal Palace, Adolf Hitler was presented by the King to the Queen. The Queen greeted the Fuehrer with great cordiality.

The Fuehrer then presented his Ministers and other members of his party to the Queen.

PREMIER DENIES NEW ANGLO-FRENCH REPORTS

London, To-day,

Referring to the conversations with the French Ministers, in a Commons answer yesterday, the Prime Minister said that Lord Halifax and he himself had been glad of the opportunity to review with M. Daladier and M. Bonnet various international questions which were a matter of preoccupation at the present time. "The conversations have been of value in helping each Government to attain a closer understanding of other's view point and demonstrating a new community of outlook and the interests uniting them."

Asked if in the conversations arrangements had been made "for the nomination to certain higher commands between French and English air forces and military forces in the event of certain emergencies," Mr. Chamberlain replied: "If I understand the question correctly, that is not so."—British Wireless.

DOGS ON BEACH

Several European residents were summoned before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for allowing their dogs on the beach at Repulse Bay without muzzle or a lead.

Mrs. J. E. Potter, of No. 184, The Peak, was fined \$15 for two offences, Mr. V. Clay, of No. 6 Bungalow, Repulse Bay, was fined \$10 as was also Captain D. L. S. Northcote, R. A., of No. 529, The Peak. All the offences were committed on Saturday, April 16.

On the occasion of this State visit of Adolf Hitler to Italy, the King and Emperor has conferred the Grand Cross of St. Maurice and St. Lazarus on Reichs-Minister Dr. Lammers, State-Minister Dr. Meissner and the German Ambassador to Italy, von Mackensen. Reichs-leader Amann has been decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of the Crown.

OTHER AWARDS.

The Fuehrer has conferred the Grand Cross of the Eagle on Mattioli, Pasqualini, Pasqualin, Controller of the Royal Household, Marquis Asinari, Royal Adjutant General, Dr. De Francisci, Rector of Rome's university and Signor Favini, the former Secretary of the Fascist Party.—Trans-Ocean.

THREE MILLION LINE ROUTE TO ACCLAIM HERR HITLER

Colourful Scenes Greet German Leader In Italy

First Talk With Il Duce Expected To-Day

Rome, To-day.

Three million persons were mobilised to line the 480-mile route between the Brenner Pass and Rome in order to acclaim Herr Hitler on his visit to Signor Mussolini.

When the special train arrived at Bologna, Herr Hitler was greeted by the whistles of 200 engines in sidings. A crowd of 40,000 packed the station while deputations of girls presented flowers to the Fuehrer.

Herr Hitler was received like a king when he arrived at 8.30 last evening at Ostiense Station, which had been specially built to receive him.

Rome had decorated itself with a splendour worthy of the City of the Caesars for the occasion, and King Victor Emmanuel and Il Duce were among those on the platform when Herr Hitler's special train entered the station.

The Fuehrer, who was the first to descend, bowed to King Victor and smilingly shook hands with Signor Mussolini. The band played the German National Anthem and the Horst Wessel Song, followed by the Italian National Anthem.

UPRAISED DAGGERS

Herr Hitler saluted with upraised arm, and then accompanied by King Victor and Il Duce, inspected a guard of honour composed of the Italian Grenadier Regiment, as well as Signor Mussolini's bodyguard of musketeers who wore black uniforms and stood with upraised daggers.

Later they drove from the station in horse carriages. King Victor, with the Fuehrer on his right, occupied the second carriage, and Rome accorded Herr Hitler a welcome recalling the mightiest days of its past.

FLOODLIT MOUNTED TROOPS

The scenes outside the station and along the route almost defied description. The visitors stepped into an immense square ringed by a large force of mounted troops, with floodlights playing effectively on helmets and breastplates.

Inside were numerous formations of the defence forces, with a band of Grenadiers playing all four Anthems in succession.

Il Duce's car swiftly departed in the opposite direction, leaving to the Hitler party most of the popular plaudits.

Il Duce had seemed in the very best spirits, and was laughing and joking with Count Ciano, his Foreign Minister son-in-law, for a quarter of an hour while awaiting the Fuehrer's train.

MAGNIFICENT SETTING

Passing the gates of St. Paul up the Aventine Hill, the procession entered the thousands of years old Triumphal Way, but never was a triumph staged in such a magnificent setting.

The procession was led by a solitary motorcyclist, and then came prancing cuirassiers of the Royal Guards with lights glinting on their breastplates.

Flaming braziers lit up the Imperial Way, and the excavations of ancient Rome beyond were bathed in floodlight.

In the brilliant lights, Herr Hitler's face looked pale and tense.

HYMN OF ROME

Thirty thousand small torches threw a flickering light on to thousands of frantically cheering people outside the Quirinal Palace who sang the Hymn of Rome as they waited for Herr Hitler and the King to appear on the balcony.

The organisation and stage management of the pageantry struck all foreigners, and nowhere was admiration so outspoken as among Germans.

Herr Hitler is expected to have his first conversations with Signor Mussolini before lunch to-day.

The Fuehrer will first visit the Pantheon, where the Kings and Queens of Italy are buried, and will also visit the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior, and will lay a wreath in each place.

In the afternoon there will be a display by thousands of members of Fascist Youth organisations. — Reuter.

AT QUIRINAL PALACE

Rome, To-day.

King Victor Emmanuel and Herr Hitler came out on the balcony of the Quirinal Palace to acknowledge the cheers.

When they were called back after withdrawal, the Fuehrer presented Dr. Joseph Goebbels (the Propaganda Minister) and Rudolf Hess (Hitler's Deputy) to the crowd.

Among the troops which lined the route to the Palace were a detachment of Libyan native infantry brought over for the occasion. — Reuter.

ARCHBISHOP OF CAPETOWN

London, To-day.

The Rev. J. R. Darbyshire, Bishop of Glasgow, has been elected Archbishop of Capetown. — Reuter.

QUEEN FARIDA

Alexandria, To-day.
It is understood that Queen Farida of Egypt is expecting a happy event early in November. — Reuter.

VALUABLE PRESENTS FOR ROYAL BRIDE

Amsterdam, To-day.

A great number of wedding presents arrived yesterday at the Chateau of Doorn, among them three silver bowls from the Crown Princess Juliana and Prince Bernhard, accompanied by a large bouquet of roses in colours of the House of Orange.

The ex-Kaiser Wilhelm presented the bride with a collier set with precious stones, a costly piece from the heirlooms of the Hohenzollern family.

From her father the bride received bracelets with precious stones. — Trans-Ocean.

QUIET RESTORED IN JAMAICA

Kingston (Jamaica), To-day.

It is officially stated that quiet has been restored and that the police have the strike on the sugar plantations well in hand.

Four were killed and nine in-

KING AND QUEEN AT THE EMPIRE EXHIBITION

London, To-day.

The King and Queen made an extensive tour both before and after lunch of the Empire Exhibition which His Majesty opened at Glasgow yesterday morning.

They visited the Empire Pavilions and later the King alone passed through the Colonial Pavilions.

At the Australian Pavilion, Their Majesties were interested in a panorama of Sydney Bridge.

After a brief call at the City of Glasgow Pavilion, they went to the South African Pavilion where they watched for some time a miniature railway running round a model of the Kruger National Park. The Pavilions of New Zealand, Canada and Eire were also visited.

When the King and Queen left the Exhibition, they were cheered by a tremendous crowd. They drove to the Royal Train and later left on a tour of the new housing estates and the distressed areas around Glasgow. — British Wire-

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jured in yesterday's rioting while 89 arrests were made.

Eighty acres of sugar canes were burned by the strikers but rains extinguished the blaze. — Reuter.

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EXPLODED MYTHS?

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EVENTS of the past few weeks, especially in Central Europe, should help considerably to remove a number of misconceptions held by many in the world outside regarding the Third Reich. This is all to the good, since whether the particular persons concerned look with favour or disfavour upon National Socialism, a truer interpretation of its aims and methods can only serve to clarify fundamental issues.

To-day, after five years' development of the Third Reich, it should hardly be necessary to state that Hitler means what he says and has always meant it. Those people whether within Germany or without who minimized this fact not only did a grave injustice to Hitler's determination and honesty of purpose but defeated their own ends. They should carefully reread "Mein Kampf" in the German edition (few have read it) and also see how much of the 25-point party programme has already been realized.

The word "bluff" has continuously been used with reference to Ger-

many's efforts. It is true only in so far as it touches methods occasionally, not as it applies to ends.

This is clearly revealed in the difference in tone of Der Fuhrer's Reichstag utterances when the Third Reich had no strong armed forces and to-day, when it feels itself able to resist all comers. But the ends are the same. Hitler, as his followers affirm, is "fanatically honest," and he will not be to blame if the Reich does not recover its Gleichberechtigung (equal status), which means the restoration of what was lost in 1918, and, addition, the unity of the German-speaking races in Europe.

A popular myth which finally exploded last February was that the Reichswehr still had the final word in the Reich, that it only had to give the order and this regime would disappear like smoke. There was, it is true, a time, when the Reichswehr's counsels were given full consideration but after the occupation of the Rhineland in 1936, the National Socialists could always point to the success which

their bold policy had achieved against the will of most Reichswehr leaders.

The armed forces which had maintained their independence from politics throughout the earlier post-war changes in Germany continued under the Third Reich the same attitude of obedience. In its oath to the head of the state, it swore "unconditional obedience to the leader of the German Reich and people, Adolf Hitler, as the highest commander-in-chief." And as a result of the February changes and the subsequent military coup in Austria, Hitler could justifiably claim in the Reichstag that to-day there exists no problem between the National Socialist Party and the armed forces. "In this Reich everyone who holds a responsible position is a National Socialist."

The idea also that there exists a strong active opposition waiting only for the moment to strike, that discontent among certain classes, especially among the workers, is such that they are ready to oppose the present regime, is both a misinterpretation of the outlook of the Ger-

man worker and of the strength of the National Socialist movement.

Another myth which has probably continued longest is that the Third Reich would be forced to surrender because of economic difficulties, that in the end Germany would have to accept the conditions of the democratic states in exchange for credits of different sorts. Such a development is still not beyond the realm of possibility, but it is very doubtful for a number of reasons. The tremendous energy of German discipline, the preparation through defeat in war and the memory of physical hardships in post-war years, the technical skill of the German worker, the economic adroitness of its trade agreements, combined with the fact that it takes a long time to reduce so large a nation to submission are all factors which have to be remembered.

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In addition, against the financial

power of the democracies. Hitler has pitted the sense of injustice and the nationalist ambitions of 67,000,000 Germans. When all this has been said there remains to the advantage of the National Socialist regime the determination, up to the present, of the western democracies to avoid war at all costs, and of their failure to agree among themselves upon a definite line of action.

To many, the hope also remained that some compromise could be found for an all-Europe understanding on a common basis which would have left the way open for a return to the League of Nations and collective security. To-day, there is as little justification for such a hope, as for the idea that the Third Reich will agree to Soviet Russia co-operation in any European pact. "Russia in Europe" is too strong a possible danger to German expansionist ideals to be tolerated.

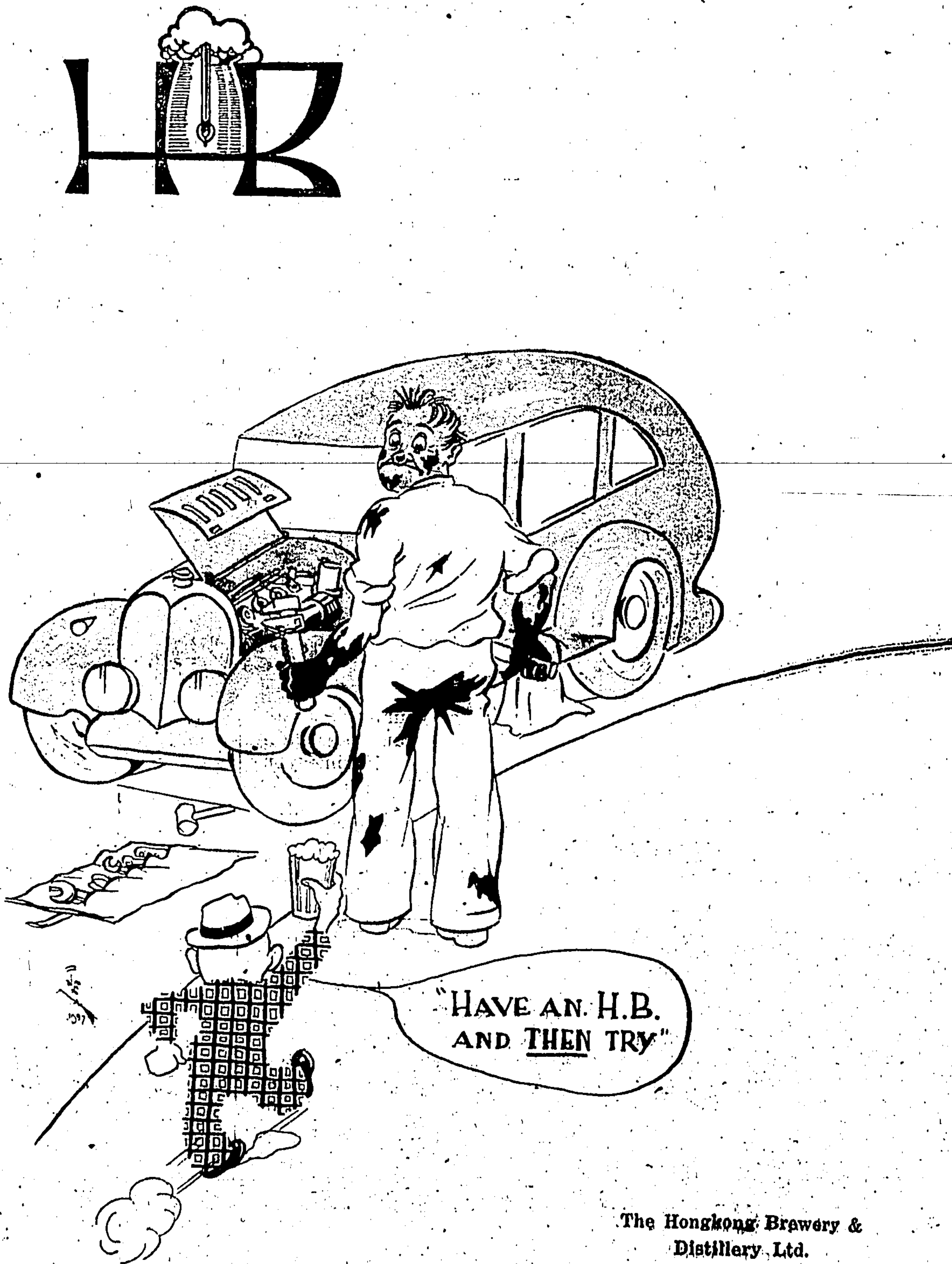
To-day, the Third Reich goes its own way, confident in the strength of its new armed forces to carry out its every desire. Anyone who heard the pronouncement of Der Fuhrer and Reichskanzler in the Reichstag, on February 20, must have remembered the words of another German Chancellor. Bismarck, fifty years earlier, "We Germans fear God and nothing else in the world!" And the German drive to the east, culminating in the seizure of Austria, gives astounding impact to a boldness of national purpose surpassing even that of the Iron Chancellor.

TOO MUCH PIG IRON IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.

The attention of the President of the Board of Trade was called in the Commons to the increasing surplus of pig iron.

The Parliamentary Secretary, in his reply, said the application of the industry for the imposition of a duty on foreign pig iron had been made to the Imports Advisory Committee and was at present under consideration. He hoped an announcement would be made shortly.—British Wireless.



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LABOUR ONSLAUGHT ON TEA TAX IN COMMONS

Sir Henry Page-Croft Also With The Critics

Contribution To Common Defence --SIR JOHN SIMON

London, To-day.

Labour delivered an onslaught on the tea tax in the House of Commons yesterday, moving a reduction of the duty on non-Empire tea to fourpence instead of eightpence.

The tax was described as mean and contemptible and as hitting the poorest classes.

Mr. D. Chater (Labour, North East Bethnal Green) said that workers were being compelled to buy cheaper tea which meant foreign tea.

Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page-Croft (Conservative, Bournemouth) regretted that Sir John Simon's proposal narrowed Empire preference.

It was supremely important to maintain the proportion of tea coming from India, especially in view of the negotiations for better facilities for Lancashire products entering India.

DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLE

Sir John Simon, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying emphasised the democratic principle of all contributing for the common defence.

The Labour amendment was defeated by 229 votes to 129.—Reuter.

CHINA AND CUSTOMS ARRANGEMENT

Hankow, To-day.

The Chinese Government is carefully studying the documents and is issuing an official statement on the subject in a day or two, declared the Chinese spokesman to Reuter referring to China's attitude towards the Anglo-Japanese agreement on the Customs.

It is reliably learned that in principle the Chinese authorities will adopt a firm attitude to uphold the integrity of the Chinese Customs and the desire to maintain the service of foreign loans.

On the other hand, it is admitted that with Shanghai at present under Japanese occupation, the Japanese will do their utmost to control the revenues.

INTEGRITY OF CUSTOMS

According to well-informed quarters, the Chinese authorities are reiterating the stand that integrity of the Chinese Customs be respected and their desire that service of foreign loans be observed.

The matter is believed to have been discussed between the British and Chinese authorities, with a view to finding a satisfactory solution.—Reuter.

THURLAND CASTLE'S GOOD FORTUNE

An exceptionally high tide, the result of the typhoon, and a heavy swell sweeping in against the bows of the Thurland Castle were chiefly responsible for the ease with which the vessel was refloated, it was disclosed this morning.

The ship had been lightened by the discharge of 600 tons of water ballast and about 200 tons of oil, and those aboard were contemplating taking on ballast again, because she was beginning to bump, when a particularly heavy wave struck the bows, swinging the Thurland Castle right round. A few turns of her engines and she was in deep water again, and proceeded almost immediately to Hong Kong.

The Thurland Castle's cargo is now being discharged into lighters at Stonecutters, after which she will go into dock.

VON DIRKSEN

London, To-day.

The new German Ambassador, Herr von Dirksen, paid a courtesy call on the Foreign Secretary yesterday afternoon.—British Wireless.

Mr. W. G. Robertson, of No. 173, The Peak, has reported the loss of three gold rings from his residence.

Important Items On The Agenda Of Little Entente Conference

Bucharest, To-day.

The agenda for the conference of the Little Entente to begin at Sinaia to-day, will, according to newspapers which profess to have information from the best-informed sources, consist of the following five items:

- (1) Recognition of the Italian Empire,
- (2) The question of relations to Hungary,
- (3) The decision about the attitude to be taken on the question of the next session of the League of Nations,
- (4) The adoption of an uniform attitude towards the Danube problem that has arisen
- (5) The examination of the position of States of the Little Entente with regard to great powers who first in London and now in Rome are concerning themselves with affairs of Central Europe.—Trans-Ocean.

through the withdrawal of the German representative from the international Danube commission,

LATEST INDUCEMENT TO JOIN ARMY

London, To-day.

A new long service enlistment scheme with increases in pay, family allowances and pensions rights, was announced by the War Minister yesterday.

It is designed to make the Army more attractive to men desirous of making it their career and will be limited to 5,500 men per year.

The men may enlist for twelve years and have the right, subject to good character and fitness, of continuing for a further nine years. Men applying for the new enlistment must be between 18 and 24 years of age. The number is limited to maintain the strength of the reserve.

FINDING RECRUITS

Speaking of the scheme, Mr. Hore Belisha said that recruiting for the army was at a rate which had not been known for some time though with increased demands for the other national defence services the task of finding the 53,000 recruits wanted this year was not becoming easier, also 40,000 Territorials were required.

In the case of the Territorial Army it could be brought to strength at once but for its territorial basis.

For example, some units could probably be filled four or five times over a great many units were up to strength and 20 per cent. over establishment.—British Wireless.

MADRID BOMBARDMENT

Barcelona, To-day.

Over 50 were killed and a considerable number wounded in last night's bombardment of Madrid, which though it lasted only a half hour, is described as the worst of the war.—Reuter.

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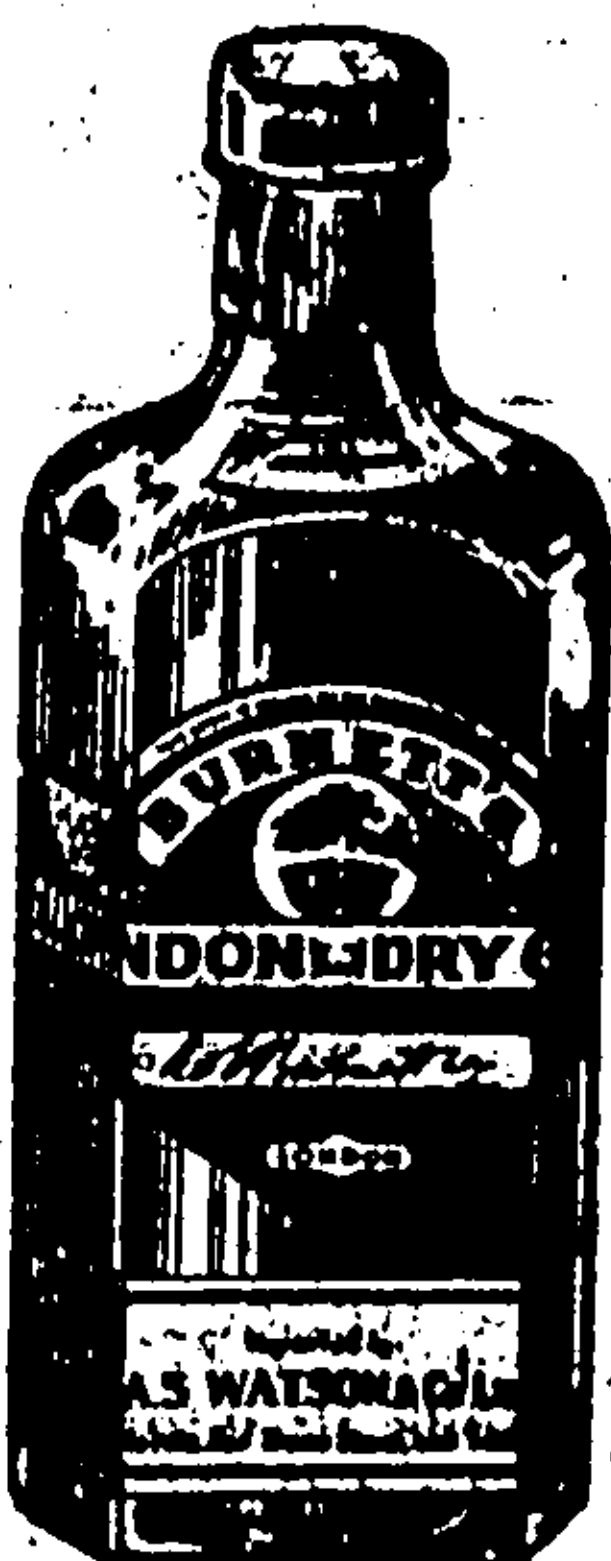
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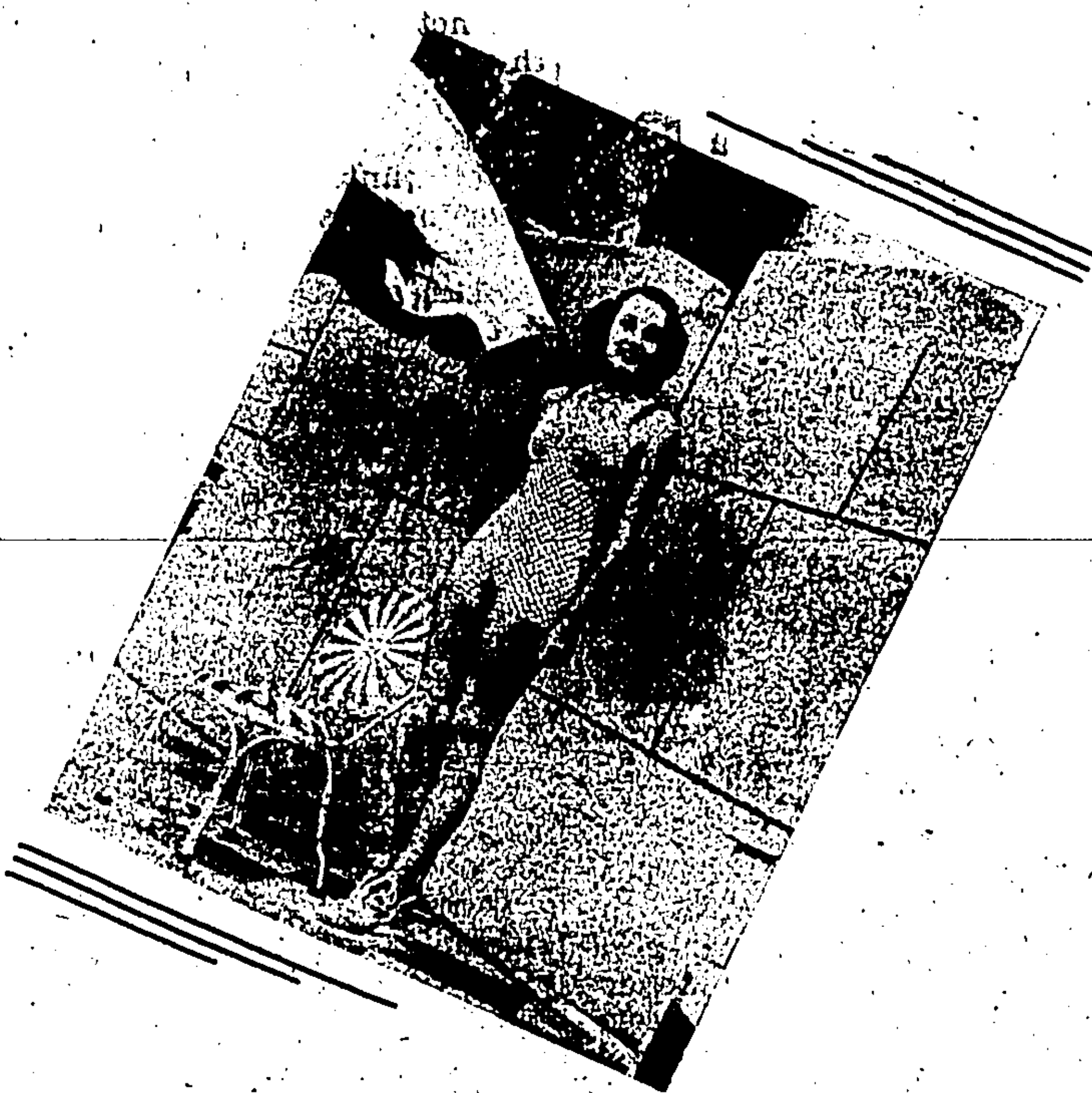


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COMMONS & ANGLO-ITALIAN PACT

Mr. Chamberlain obtained his majority in the House of Commons, approving the Anglo-Italian Agreement. In view of the overwhelming Conservative voting power and the efficiency of the Party machine, no other result of the debate was conceivable. It was extraordinary, nevertheless, to find the Prime Minister claiming a universal chorus of praise for the agreement. The solidity of the Opposition, the bitterness of their criticism, and the force behind many of their argument, occasional defections like that of the Duchess of Atholl, who declared that the agreement proposed to let down Spain, the West Fulham by-election, the magnitude of recent anti-Government demonstrations in Britain, reveal anything but a universal chorus of praise, in the British Isles at any rate. The truth is, of course, that following Mr. Eden's resignation and Mr. Chamberlain's willingness to face what he described as unpalatable facts, the Premier has one more unpalatable fact to face, that is that the House of Commons is no longer representative of public opinion in the country. There is a very strong section of opinion which condemns every stage of his recent foreign policy, with its willingness to sacrifice principles over Ethiopia to obtain security in Spain, representing by Mr. Herbert Morrison when he declared the Anglo-Italian Agreement was morally repugnant and degrading to the best instincts of the people. There is another strong contingent which is prepared to see how things work out but whose instincts compel a feeling of dubiety. There is a third, the smallest of the three, which believes wholeheartedly that the Premier is on the right track. In astute argument, the Prime Minister undoubtedly presented his case in the best possible light, but at no point did his outline seem to meet the challenging voice of Mr. Lloyd George, who bluntly described the agreement

as a cowardly surrender.

Possibly the least substantial of the points on which Britain and Italy reached understanding is that which reaffirms the "gentlemen's agreement." Reaffirmation cannot but revive memories of British disillusionment over Italy's attitude toward it, and keep speculation alive as to the ultimate success of Mr. Chamberlain's policy. It is one thing to get promises. It is another to impose circumstances in which promises must be respected. What the nature of the guarantees is to be has become of increasing interest as Italian aid has been permitted to make a Fascistic victory in Spain virtually certain.

What, if Italy intends really to withdraw military support from General Franco, does Premier Mussolini expect in return for concessions to Britain? And can the British Government pursue its policy of appeasement to a point where it will encompass both Italy and Germany without sacrificing values which may still be dear to the British people?

These are questions which underlay the voting in the West Fulham division on the very same day that Mr. Chamberlain's paper success in Rome was announced. The British know how to watch the by-elections for indications of the electorate's reaction to Government policy. The West Fulham election was the first since the resignation of Mr. Eden. It was fought on the issue of foreign policy. And a Labour candidate won in a Conservative district.

Of course it can be too readily assumed that Signor Mussolini has nothing to gain from an understanding with Britain. Italy needs money to make Ethiopia an asset. The British have the money. Italy wants recognition of an "Italian Empire." Britain appears not only willing to give its recognition but to obtain for Italy the recognition of other League of Nations members. That would add a substantial diplomatic victory to the military success of which Italy is already proud. For Il Duce, it has the pleasing aspect of balancing Reichsfuhrer Hitler's imminent hegemony on the Continent with an immanent Italian Empire in Africa.

And then, too, there is nothing apparent in the published terms of the agreement that imposes on Il Duce a need to continue to observe them. Perhaps British leaders are counting on Herr Hitler to do that. Signor Mussolini's latest speech contained some words obviously intended to echo among the Alps, to the very gateways of which German military might has now advanced.

But it is conceivable that both the Italian and the German leaders are congratulating themselves on the decline of those influences which in Britain meant strength for the League of Nations, and on the fact that Mr. Chamberlain's Italian negotiations have not yet brought British policy out from under the shadow of the Rome-Berlin embattlement.

That is a fact that Britain would have to face all over again in the Mediterranean should General Franco be unable to keep order among the individualistic Spaniards after Italian troops had left Spain. For the totalitarians might ask no better excuse than internal disorder for a second intervention on the Spanish peninsula. Those are among facts which Mr. Chamberlain finds it convenient to overlook or discount.

CHINESE SMASHING DELIVER ATTACKS

Advance Of Several Miles In New Offensive

Break Through Japanese Centre North Of Pih sien

Hankow, To-day.

An advance of several miles is claimed by the Chinese following the launching of the general offensive in south Shantung yesterday morning.

The Chinese delivered smashing attacks through the centre of the Japanese line north of Pih sien and east of Taierchwang.

A telephone message from the front states that the Chinese occupied Taliangpi and Siaolingpi, two villages west of Szechucheng, adding that the Japanese forces are retreating northward.

The general offensive heralds the commencement of the decisive stage in the Shantung battle, according to the opinion of competent observers, who have long expected that the Chinese forces, totalling 800,000 men, would launch a crushing attack as soon as they found signs that the Japanese offensive was spent.

Following the arrival of 2,000 Japanese reinforcements, the Chinese communicate states, the Japanese north-east of Taierchwang are launching attacks in the vicinity of Hsin Lungshi and Yingchwang, but the Chinese lines are hitherto intact.

WEST SHANTUNG

The Chinese Command is watching closely the movements of Japanese troops in west Shantung, where reinforcements are being rushed to Tsining and Nanyangcheng in preparation for a drive on Kinghsiang, and, eventually, Kweiteh.

A Chinese column is reported to have advanced from a point 40 kilometres north of Tingsien to Ninyang, which city is north-west of Yenchowfu.

The Chinese troops entered Wushing, on the south shore of Tai Lake, on Monday, withdrawing later owing to severe Japanese artillery bombardment. — Reuter.

CZECHS SEEK TRADE PACT WITH GERMANY

Prague, To-day.

Of vital importance to Czechoslovakia, negotiations are fixed to open in Berlin on May 9 for a commercial agreement with Germany in place of the Austro-Czech Agreement invalidated by the anchluss.

As a result of the anchluss, Bohemia is now practically surrounded by Germany, who thus holds the power to submit Czechoslovakia to slow economic strangulation. — Reuter.

BRITISH EMBASSY HIT BY SHELL

Madrid, To-day.

The British Ambassador's study was wrecked, and three shells landed in the house occupied by the British Consul, in the course of a violent bombardment of Madrid yesterday.

Noone in the Embassy building or the Consul's house was injured. — Reuter.

HALF MILLION TO GET "DICK" OUT OF A JAM

Washington, To-day.

The financier Mr. J. P. Morgan, giving evidence at the enquiry into the failure of Richard Whitney, said he had not been consulted in regard to the unsecured loan of \$500,000 made by his firm to Mr. Whitney.

Mr. Morgan said that last autumn he had been informed by his partner, Mr. George Whitney, and his brother Richard, that "Dick was in a jam."

He had not asked what the "jam" was. — Reuter.

TYPHOON ENTERS COAST

The typhoon passed 100 miles south east of Hong Kong at midnight, last night, and has probably entered the coast near Swatow.

To-day's forecast is West and South West winds, moderate, fair to showery.

There is to be a Travel Talk illustrated by moving pictures in the Reading Room of the Y.M.C.A. at 9 p.m. The Route taken will be "Across Canada" compered by Mr. A. W. Ingram.



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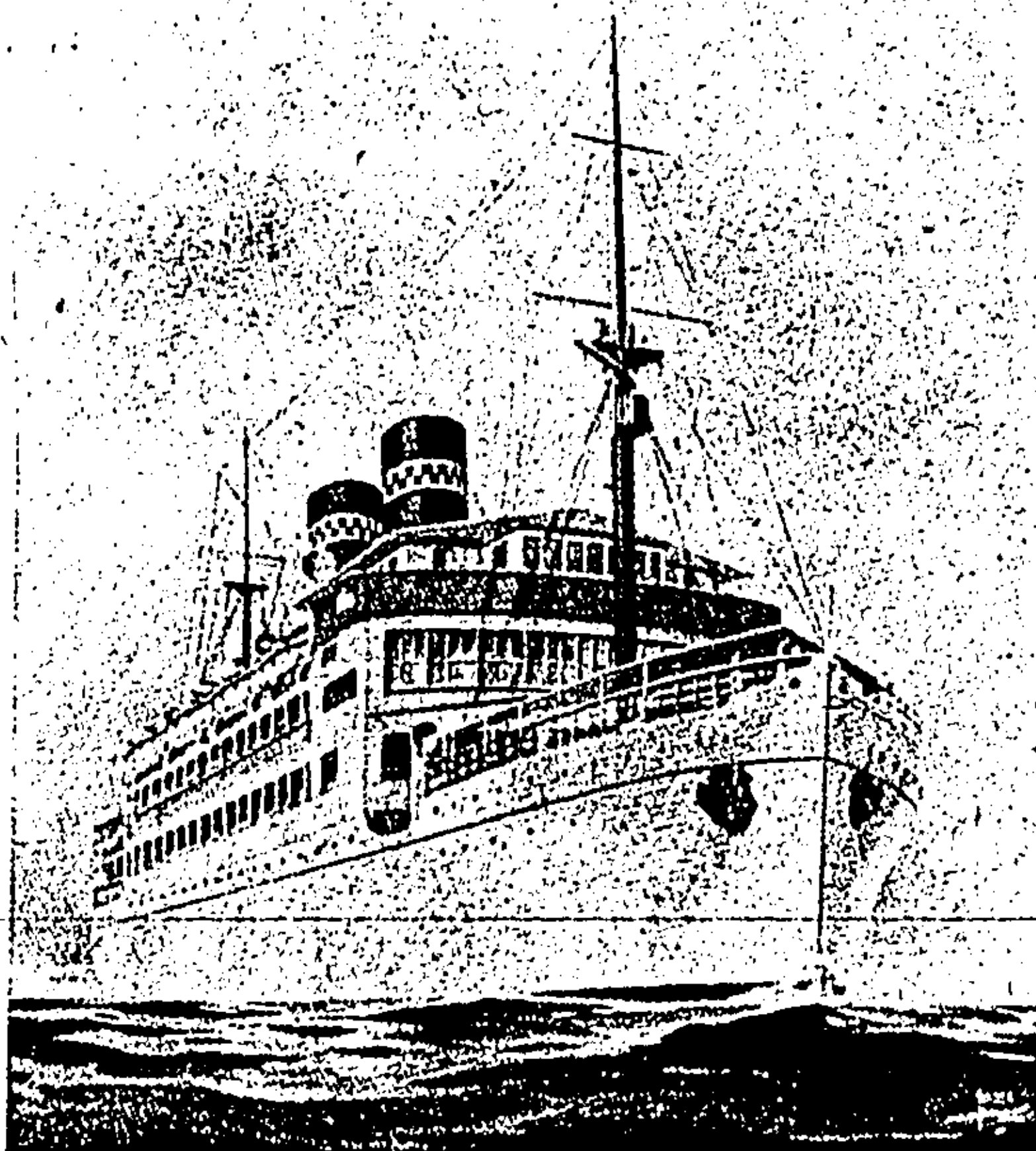
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**Hohenzollerns
Gather At Doorn
For Wedding**

Amsterdam, To-day.

Most of the guests from Germany attending the marriage of Prince Louis Ferdinand of Hohenzollern, the second son of the ex-Crown Prince of Germany, and Princess Kyra of Russia, arrived at the Chateau of Doorn yesterday.

The ex-Crown Prince Wilhelm and his Consort, Grand Duke Kirill of Russia, the father of the bride, Prince Adalbert of Russia, Prince Eitel Friedrich, Prince August Wilhelm and Prince Oscar, as well as the two sons of the second wife, Hermione of the ex-Kaiser, were among the guests.

On their arrival in Doorn all of the guests were welcomed by the court marshals of the Chateau of Doorn. The car of the ex-Crown Prince and that of the couple to be married were richly decorated with flowers. The party was received by the ex-Kaiser himself at the Chateau.

The wedding to-day will not, as was at first intended, take place in the private chapel at the Chateau because it is too small to hold so many people. Instead, the ceremony will be held in the great hall at Doorn where every Sunday the ex-Kaiser attends divine service.

MIDDAY SERVICE

The marriage service will begin at midday with the singing of the hymn, "Jesus geht voran." The sermon will be preached by Pastor

Doerings who has chosen as his text First Corinthians, verse 13. After the consecration and thanksgiving the prayer service will close with the singing of the hymn "So Nimm Denn Mine Haende."

The wedding breakfast will be given in Gobelin Hall which is famous for its rich tapestries.

Last night at the Chateau of Doorn there was a banquet followed by a ball at which the Crown Princess Juliana of the Netherlands and her consort, Prince Bernhard, were present. Many Dutch people have also been invited to attend to enable them to be presented to the young couple.

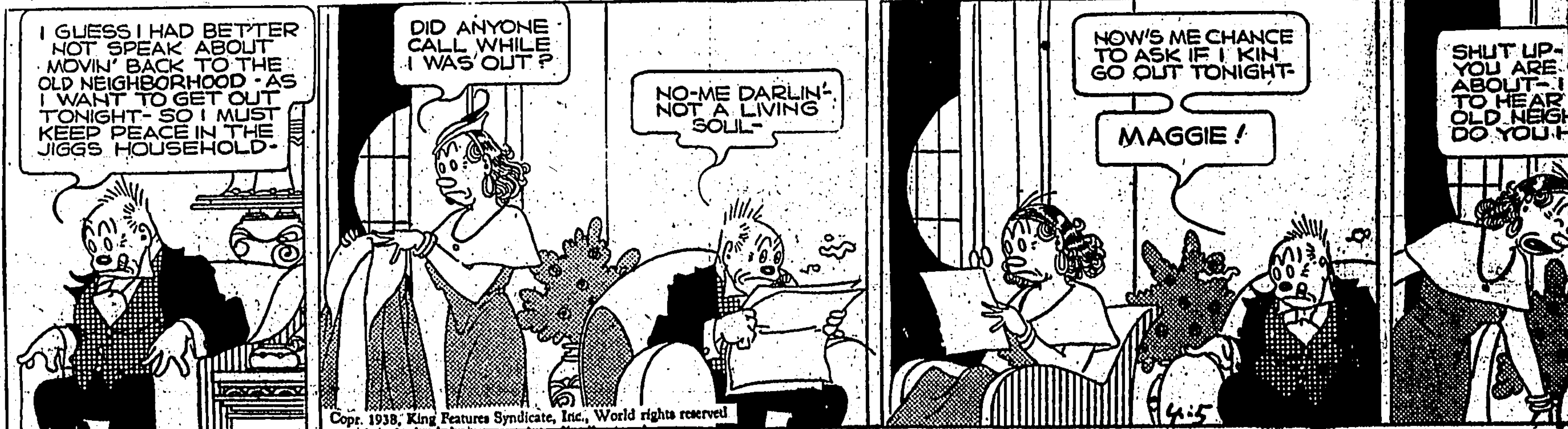
Prince Louis Ferdinand and his bride will leave for Potsdam on Thursday to take part there in the birthday celebrations of the ex-Crown Prince of Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

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The Sudeten German Party and also some Czech parties have protested against the action of the Slovakian provincial authorities cancelling the Municipal elections in Pressburg for which full arrangements had already been made.

The Sudeten German Party has addressed an urgent petition to Dr. Joseph Cerny, the Minister for the Interior, demanding that immediate steps should be taken to see that the elections are duly held as the term of office of the present City Council has already terminated.—Trans-Ocean.

SMALLPOX

Only seven cases of smallpox were notified to the local Health Department in the last 24 hours. Four were in Victoria and three in Kowloon.

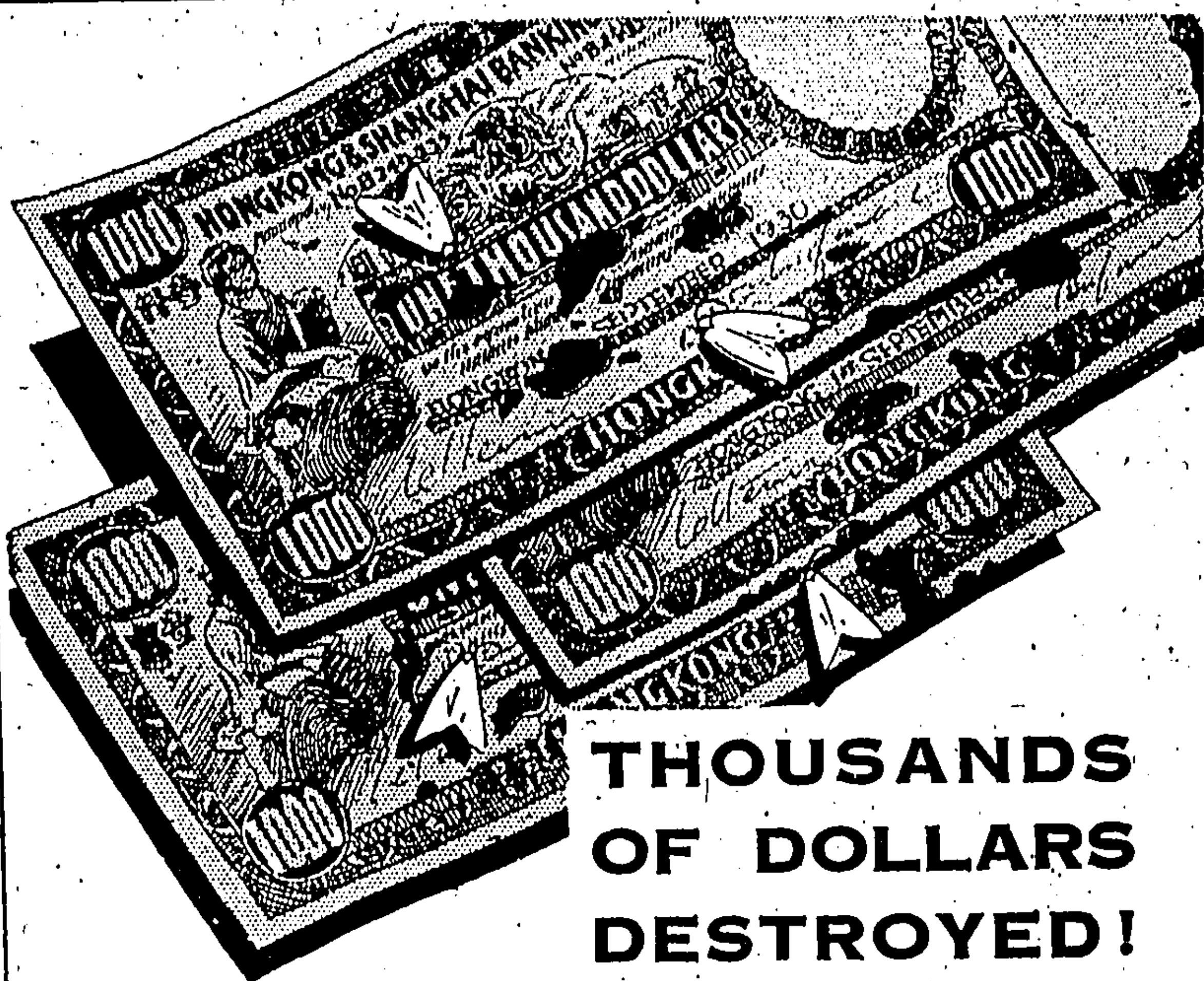
ADVANCES IN TERUEL SECTOR CLAIMED

BILBAO, TO-DAY.

GENERAL VALERAS' FORCES WHO DESPITE THE BAD WEATHER ARE CONTINUING THEIR ADVANCE IN THE TERUEL SECTOR, CAPTURED NUMEROUS IMPORTANT POSITIONS YESTERDAY IN THE GUDAR MOUNTAINS. THE CHIEF CENTRE IN THE REPUBLICAN SPANISH STRONGHOLD.

Another group occupied the heights of Pedrizas and the village of Allepuz, the importance of which lies in its being the point of intersection of the roadway system.

Owing to the capture of Allepuz, stores of ammunition belonging to the Republican Spanish troops in this neighbourhood are prevented from being distributed to the various regions where the fighting is in progress.—Trans-Ocean.



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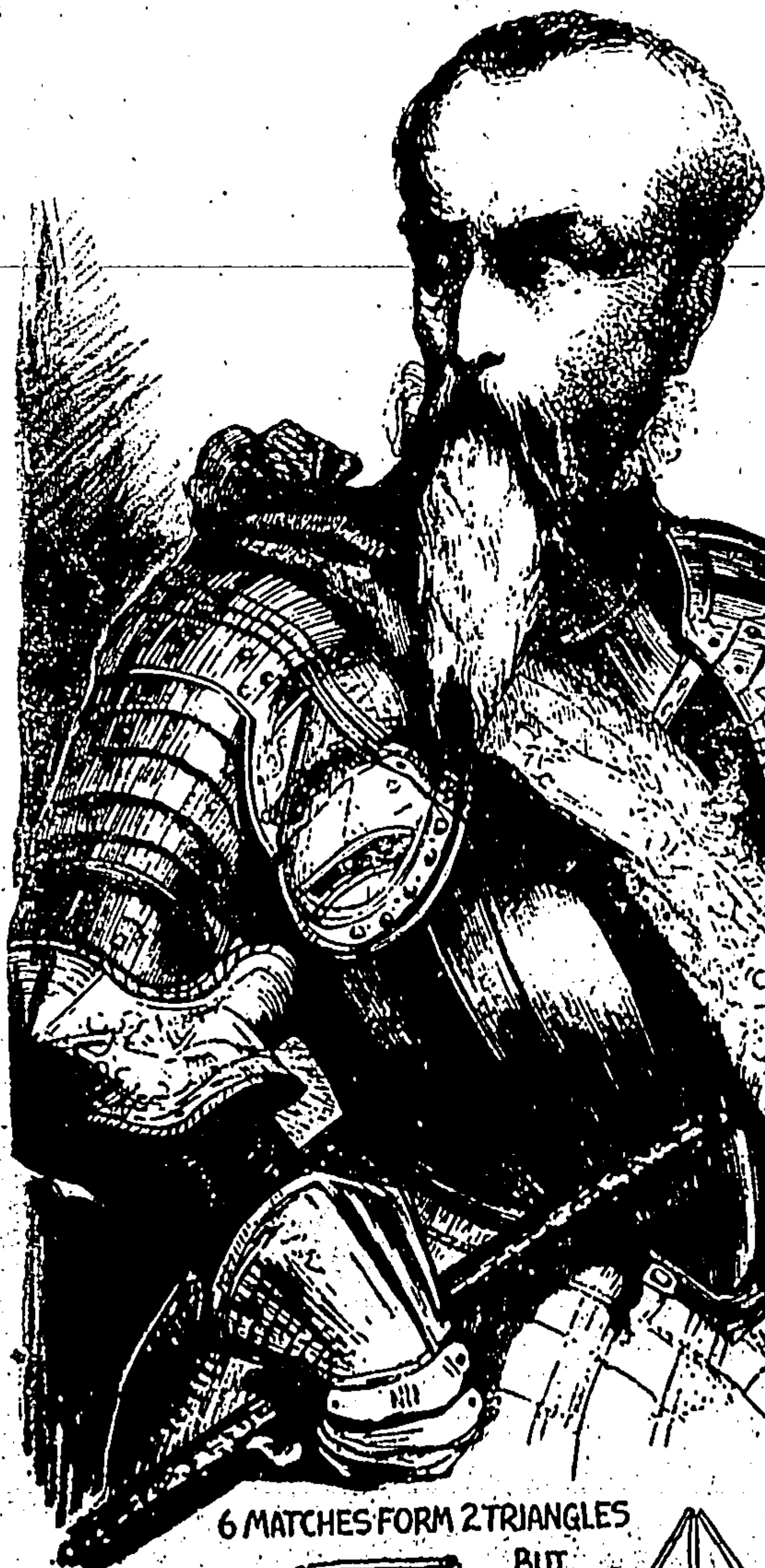
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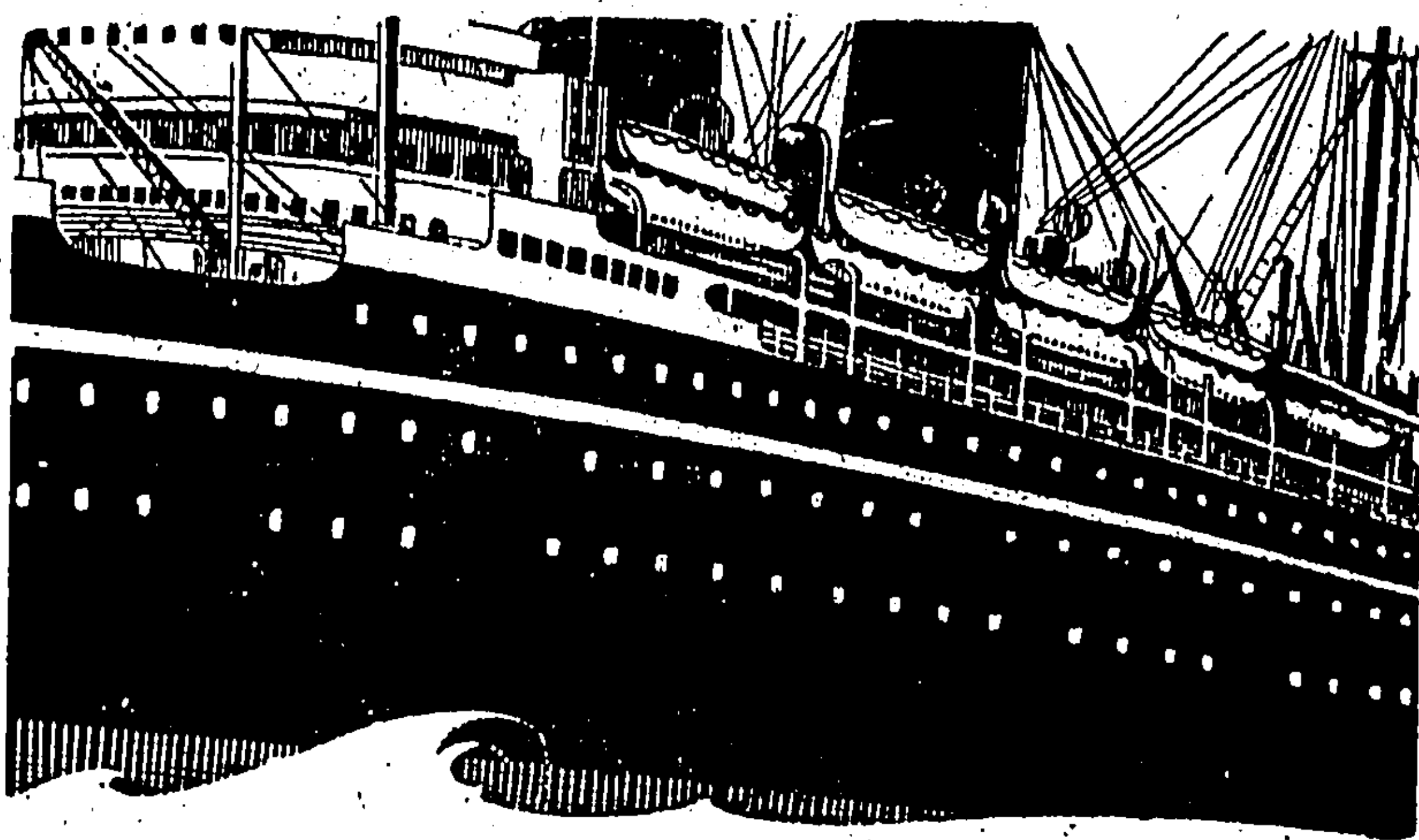
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Tientsin and Swatow	Ninghai	May 4.
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Wednesday		
*Manila, Saigon, *Bangkok, *Straits and *Batavia	Roggeveen	May 4, 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Nanchang	May 4, 4.30 p.m.
Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, *Lourenco-Marques, and *South Africa.	(To connect with the s.s. "Tegelberg" at Batavia—leaving Batavia on 24th May).	
Kongmoon	Fook On	May 4, 10 a.m.
Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	May 4, 10 a.m.
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Hoihow	May 4, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Kiangsu	Wed., May 4, 12.30 p.m.
*Straits, *Ceylon, *India, Aden, Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 3rd June and London Parcels—due London, 9th June.	Sarpedon	Wed., May 4, G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Par.	May 4, 3 p.m.
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	Ord.	May 4, 5 p.m.
Swatow and *Bangkok	Kweiyang	Wed., May 4, 2.30 p.m.
Manila, *Japan, *Canada and *U.S.A.,—due Victoria B.C., 29th May.	Pres. Jackson	Wed., May 4, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow and Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	Wed., May 4, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
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	Ord.	May 4, 5 p.m.
	C.N.A.C. Plane	Thurs., May 5, Kowloon P.O.
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	Ord.	May 5, 6 a.m.
Thursday		
Sandakan	Tai Seun Hong	May 5, 8.30 a.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	May 5, 8.15 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	May 5, 10 a.m.
Hoihow	Muinam	May 5, 11.30 a.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	Tsinan	May 5, 2.30 p.m.
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America & *Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 23rd May and *Europe via Siberia.	Pres. Coolidge	Thurs., May 5, G.P.O. & K.P.O.
	Par.	May 5, 1 p.m.
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	Ord.	May 5, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	May 5, 4.30 p.m.
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Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 15th May.	Hawaii Maru	Thurs., May 5, G.P.O. & K.P.O.
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Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Africa	Hawaii Maru	May 5, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, *Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	May 5, 3 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 13th May.	Pan-American Airways Plane	May 6, K.P.O.
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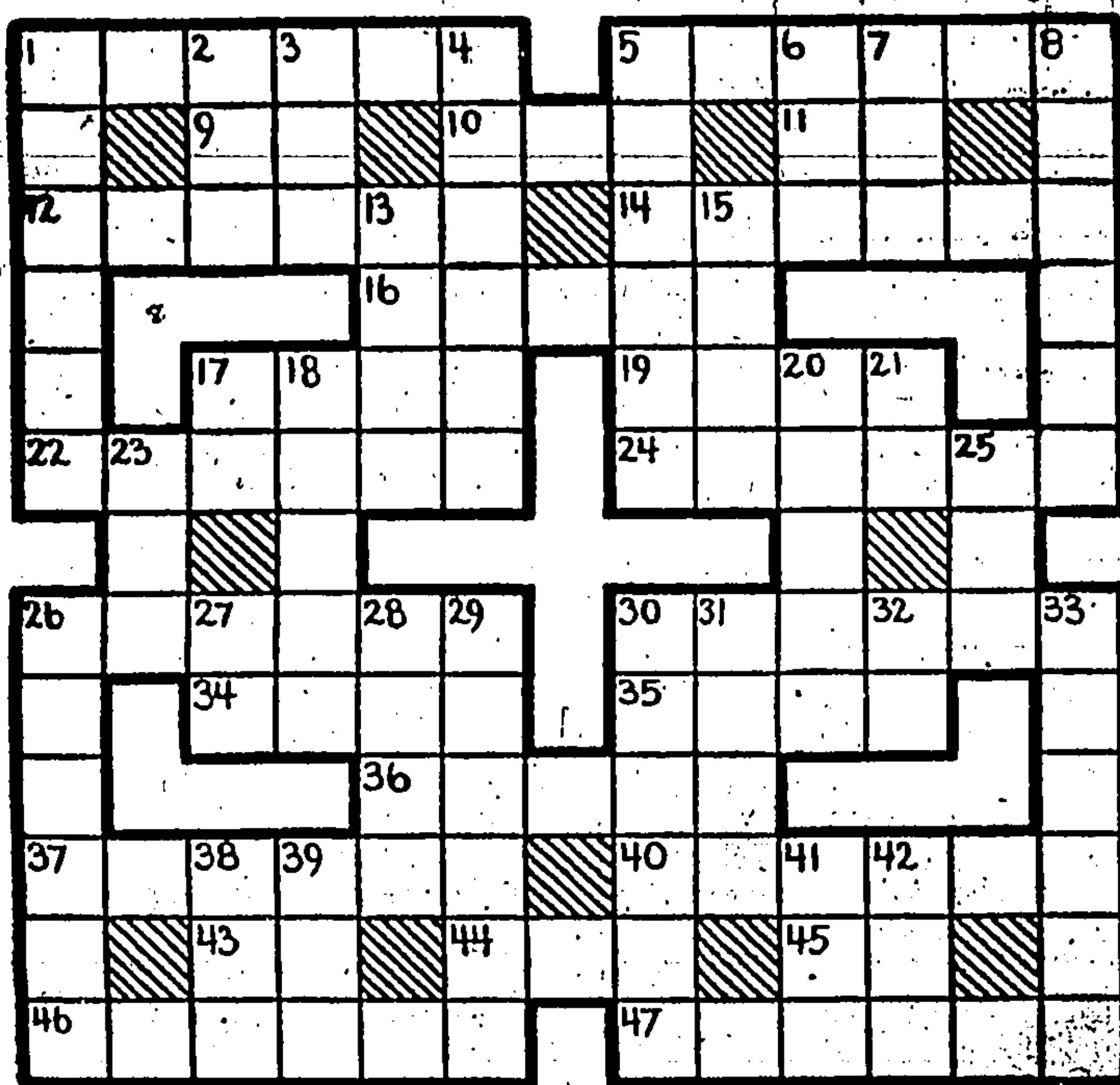
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- 16-Worship
- 17-Feminine suffix (Fr.)
- 19-A compass point
- 22-Decayed
- 24-Withers
- 26-More precious
- 30-Not mature
- 34-Apportion
- 35-Bird home
- 36-To tint
- 37-Large rock-boring tool

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 40-Pressed
- 43-A compass point (abbr.)
- 44-Make a mistake
- 45-Italian river
- 46-Darted aside
- 47-Conveyed, as property

VERTICAL

- 1-Fade
- 2-Tavern
- 3-Used in negation
- 4-Abrupt
- 5-Peaked
- 6-Part of a circle
- 7-In a greater degree
- 8-Horses

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 13-Tranquillity
- 15-Close by
- 17-And (Lat.)
- 18-Shop
- 20-Floats in air
- 21-Preposition
- 23-Unit
- 25-Vim
- 26-Started suddenly
- 27-Part of verb "To be"
- 28-Girl's name
- 29-Checked
- 30-Take off, as a belt
- 31-Never (Contr.)
- 32-Pronoun
- 33-Struck out
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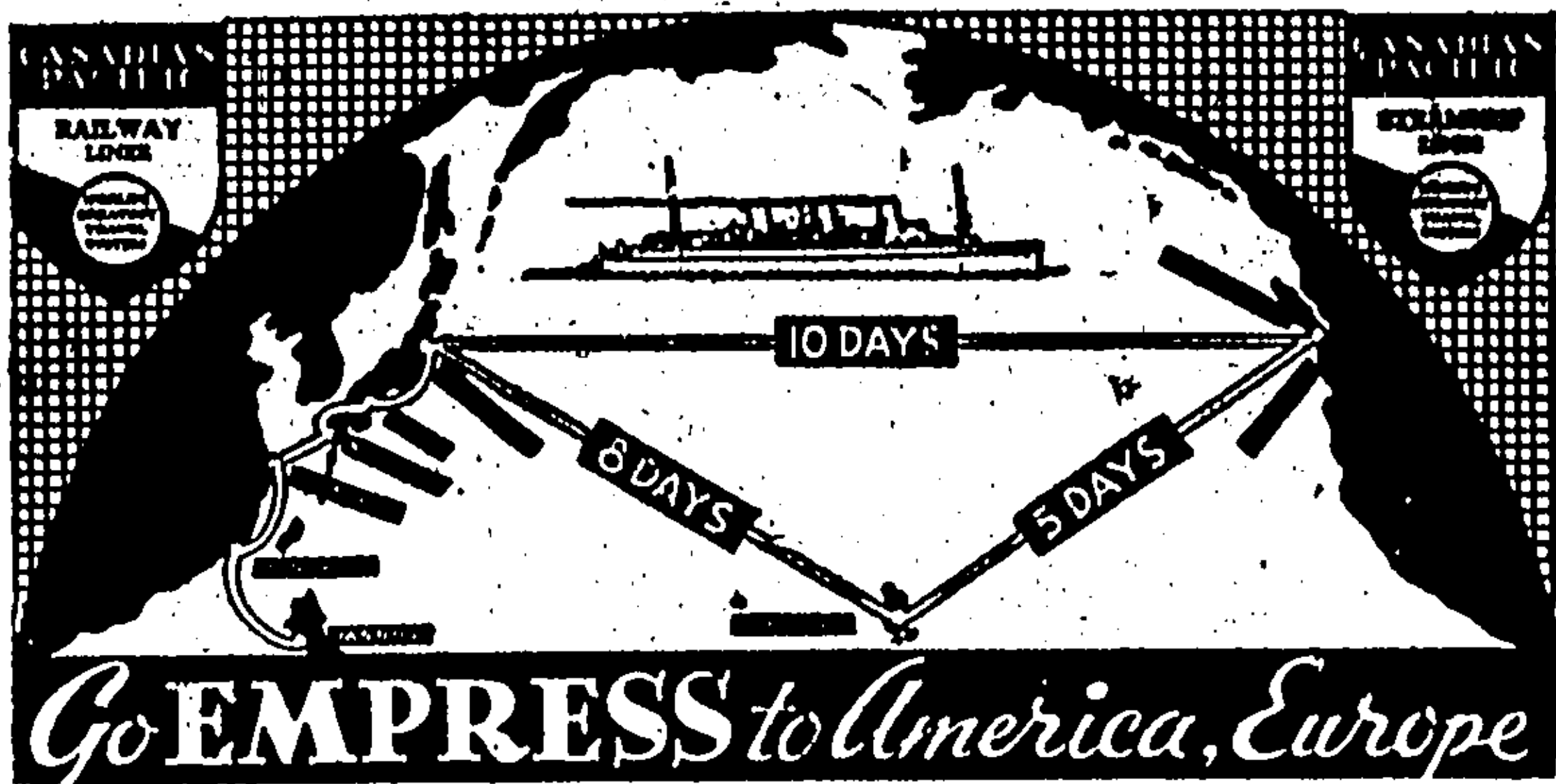
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BRITISH TRADE IN PRAGUE

London, To-day.

Asked in the Commons to consider trade negotiations with Czecho-Slovakia on the lines of the recent American-Czecho-Slovak Treaty for the purpose of offering Czecho-Slovakia markets alternative to those recently closed by the German action in Central Europe, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs replied that His Majesty's Government were at all times anxious to adopt any course likely to increase trade between the United Kingdom and foreign countries and assured the House that no possibility of any kind would be overlooked.

Further asked if he would consider opening discussions with the Government of Czecho-Slovakia, Mr. Butler said that raised a broader question.—British Wireless.

TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT

London, To-day.

The Anglo-Japanese agreement about the Chinese Maritime Customs, according to statements in authoritative quarters here, is only a temporary arrangement by which the final settlement, to be undertaken after the termination of the hostilities, will not be affected.

It is expected, however, that the agreement just entered upon, will be advantageous as it will have a beneficial effect on the Chinese credit because to some extent the agreement provides for the continuation of the interest payments on the existing Chinese loans and may lead to a decline of smuggling.—Trans-Ocean.

EXCHEQUER RETURNS

London, To-day.

Exchequer returns show that total ordinary revenue amounts to £50,694,812 as compared with £60,199,129 a year ago. The total ordinary expenditure is £74,586,531 against £81,308,755 a year ago.—British Wireless.

Mrs. S. Sleep, of No. 268, The Peak, was bitten by a dog belonging to Lee Mui, at No. 9, Queen's Road Central. She was treated by Dr. Durran and the dog was sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS

I had read a great deal about "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" and invariably, comments were enthusiastically favourable.

It often happens in cases such as this that the picture, when finally seen, does not altogether rise to expectations and a feeling of disappointment is the result.

I shall be very surprised if "Snow White" fails to please everybody in Hong Kong. What the country is to a tired worker in a city, so will "Snow White" prove to the avid picture-goer. It is most refreshing.

Not that colour cartoons are new—most theatres carry a Walt Disney feature as an integral part of their programme—and all are familiar with these really clever "shorts."

"Snow White" is just an elaboration of these "Shorts," although in this case a well known fairy story has been selected and for the most part, it is faithfully followed.

The characters are lovable. The dwarfs are characterisations of the various types of people one meet in everyday life. I predict that "Dopey," the little chap in outsized clothes, always falling over himself, always in mischief, will go down "big" with everybody.

"Grumpy" will also endear himself as the "villain" of the piece, a crusty individual whose formidable exterior hides a heart of gold.

"Snow White" is just as one would expect "Snow White" to be. Brimming over with good spirits, a song ever on her lips, all who come in contact with her fall in love with her. Even the tough huntsman, under orders from the wicked Queen to kill her, risks his neck rather than do so.

The animals—squirrels, rabbits, deer, catpillars, a tortoise, not to mention the birds, who figure prominently in Snow White's sojourn in the woods, will be the delight of all the children.

The wicked queen, who turns herself into a witch, provides the wicked element and she is vivid enough to make anyone's skin crawl.

There are several very tuneful songs in the picture. The marching song of the Dwarfs, Snow White's dream song and the song of Prince Charming, all go to make this a picture which is certain to be popularly received by all who see it, be they adult or child.—N. M.

CHINA WAR ON THE CANVAS

An unusually interesting art exhibition, consisting entirely of the Sino-Japanese war, by a noted Chinese artist, is to be held at the St. Francis Hotel from Saturday until Tuesday of next week.

The artist is Mr. Fong Yan-ting, of Canton, who has specialised in figure painting and who has exhibited at Nanking, Shanghai and in international displays at Brussels and Berlin.

There will be 54 war pictures in the exhibition, and the proceeds will be entirely devoted to war relief.

The s.s. "Behar" left Shanghai yesterday and is due here on the 6th, instant at about 6 a.m.

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In many places there are now groups which organise open air activities, such as hiking, cycling, tennis, and other games, during summer; and indoor social gatherings during winter.

We encourage our members to exchange visits and give advice to facilitate this where necessary.

We are having our first International Palloobree this summer in Norway, and we hope to organise these gatherings annually in future, each year in a different country.

Many people would like correspondents in your district, and if anyone who is interested will get into touch with the undersigned, contacts will be made for them.

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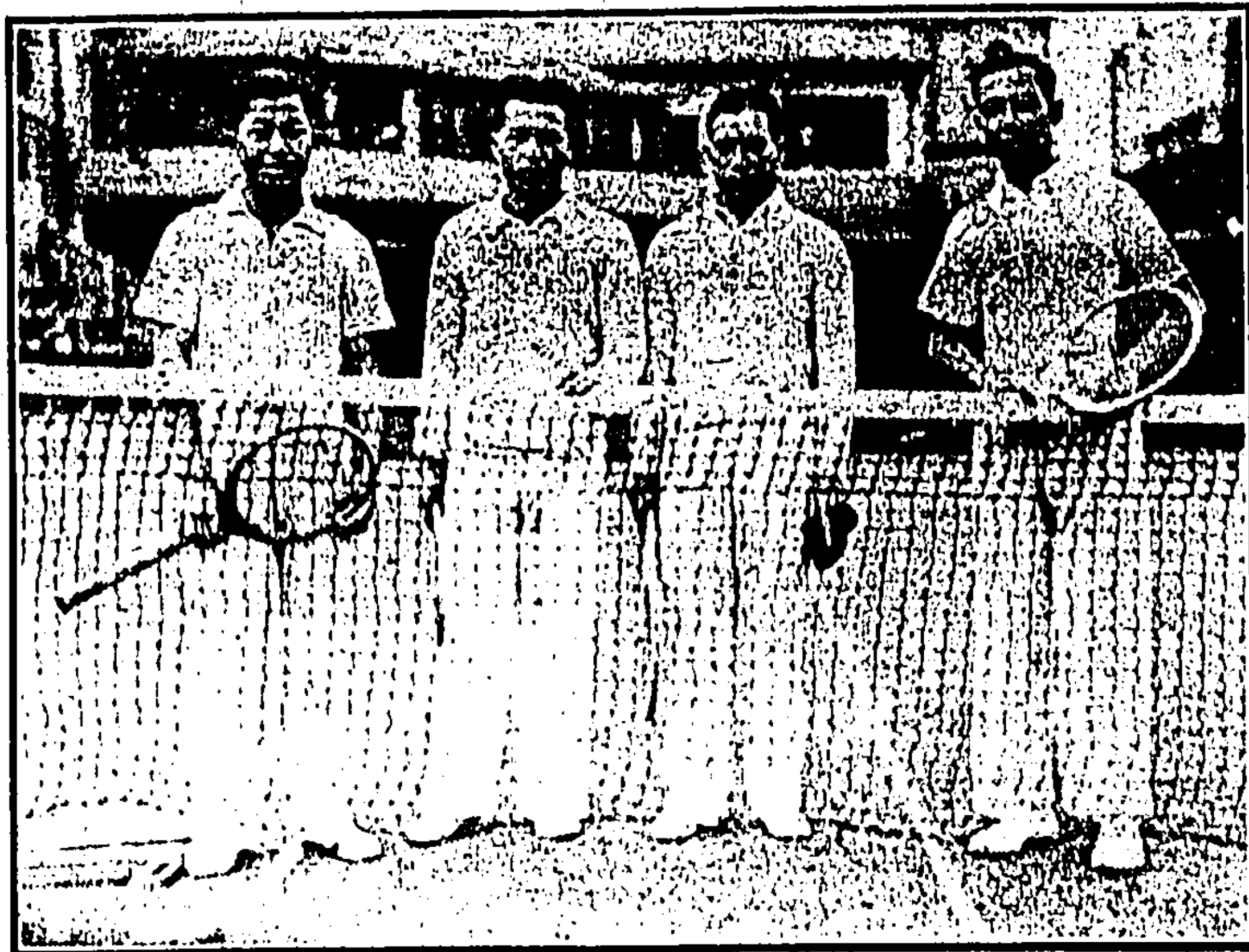
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Tsui Yun-pui and Tsui Wai-pui, left, former holders and favourites, will meet H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn, right, the holders, in the final of the Colony Doubles Lawn Tennis Championship next, Tuesday, weather permitting. ("Mail" photo).

K.C.C. BOWLS RINKS FOR NEXT SATURDAY

The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in the First and Third Divisions of the Lawn Bowls League, next Saturday, commencing at 3 p.m.:

1st Division (Home) v Recreio
W. Mulcahy, J. M. Brown, R. Craig and E. Kern Skip.
A. E. Silkstone, T. A. Madar, H. Overy and E. C. Fincher Skip.
W. Hyde, L. Jack, A. W. Smith and J. Hyde Skip.
3rd Division (Home) v C.C.C.
G. Lee, A. E. Perry, A. J. Kew and W. W. Hirst Skip.
A. Dand, C. J. Tacchi, R. Marks and H. Nish Skip.
A. W. Ramsey, W. T. French, V. C. Labrum and T. Carr Skip.

TAIKOO BOWLS RINKS FOR NEXT SATURDAY

The following will represent Taikoo R.C. against Police R.C. in the Second Division of the Lawn Bowls League at Taikoo.
W. Brown, F. Hillon, T. Grimes,

MAX SCHMELING SAILS TO MEET JOE LOUIS

Bremerhaven, To-day.

The German boxing champion of all classes Max Schmeling, left yesterday for the United States on board the North German Lloyd steamer "Bremen," to train for his world championship fight, on June 22, at New York, in the Yankee Stadium, against Joe Louis. Schmeling told press reporters that he was convinced he would disprove the validity of the proverb "Never come back" and would bring the championship title back to Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

"SKIPS" BOWLS NOTES WILL APPEAR ON THURSDAYS

T. F. Stainton Skip.
W. Melrose, S. Pollock, W. Seath, D. Munro Skip.
J. Fleming, J. Waid, T. Polson, R. M. Keown Skip.

TOURISTS' FINE VICTORY

London, To-day.

Despite some doubts which existed at one time, owing to rain, as to whether the Australians would be able to force home their advantage against Worcestershire, they finally succeeded and, dismissing their opponents for 196 runs in their second innings, won by an innings and 77 runs.

The Australian slow bowlers met with most success, both Fleetwood-Smith and O'Reilly taking wickets. McCormick was again no-balled four times.

The game between Yorkshire and the M.C.C. was left drawn, rain washing out all play on the third day, while Oxford University also drew with Gloucestershire, after the latter, aided by contributions from Hammond and Neale, had totalled 445.

The Australian touring XI beat Worcestershire by an innings and 77 runs.

Australians—541 (D. G. Bradman 258, C. L. Badcock 87).
Worcestershire—268 (Hon. C. J. Lyttleton 50, Cooper 61; L. O'B. Fleetwood-Smith 8 for 98) and 196 (Bull 69; Fleetwood-Smith 3 for 38, O'Reilly 3 for 56).

The match between Yorkshire and the M.C.C. was abandoned owing to rain.

Yorkshire—339 and 21 for 1.
M. C. C.—325 (Edrich 104, Comp-ton 77).

Oxford University drew with Gloucestershire.
Oxford University—229 and 69 for 0.

Gloucestershire—445 (Hammond 89, Neale 131).—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

At Lord's—M.C.C. v. Surrey.
At Oxford—Oxford University v. the Australians.
At Cambridge—Cambridge University v. Yorkshire.
At Portsmouth—Hampshire v. Gloucestershire.
At Old Trafford—Lancashire v. Worcestershire.
At Hovey—Sussex v. Somersetshire.

SUMMER CUP QUALIFIERS

The following were the sixteen qualifiers in the Kowloon Golf Club's Summer Cup competition on Sunday last:

J. Carleton	80-16=64
P. J. Bone	85-17=68
F. A. Hill	86-17=69
W. Ahern	82-12=70
A. Lopes	80-9=71
T. B. Low	85-13=72
C. G. Anderson	84-12=72
W. Stoker	90-17=73
S. Jex	83-10=73
E. H. Wheatcroft	87-14=73
W. A. Stewart	82-8=74
M. A. Cairns	93-18=75
T. Henderson	89-14=75
E. M. Hanlon	91-16=75
W. Bastin	88-12=76
T. D. Paton	82-6=76



H. W. "Bunny" Austin's decision to retire from the British Davis Cup competition was a bitter blow. Above he is seen in play during a Davis Cup singles encounter.

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WORLD'S TITLE SUGGESTED

With the organisation of the European Golf Association, in which fourteen countries are represented, a European championship tournament will be held, and a world meeting along the lines of the Davis Cup is expected to follow.

While Major Burton, of the English Golf Union, disclaims any such intentions of the new association it is difficult to see how they can avoid international tournaments. It is argued that if lawn tennis can promote international tournaments why not golf? The main reason for the formation of the new association is the growth of golf on the Continent. Karl Henkell, the German golfer, has been the main enthusiast for the promotion of the association.

INEXPENSIVE SOUVENIRS

One of the first objects of the Association is the regulation of amateur golfers. There will be no expensive cars, nor prize vouchers handed out to prize winners. They will have to be content with inexpensive souvenirs.

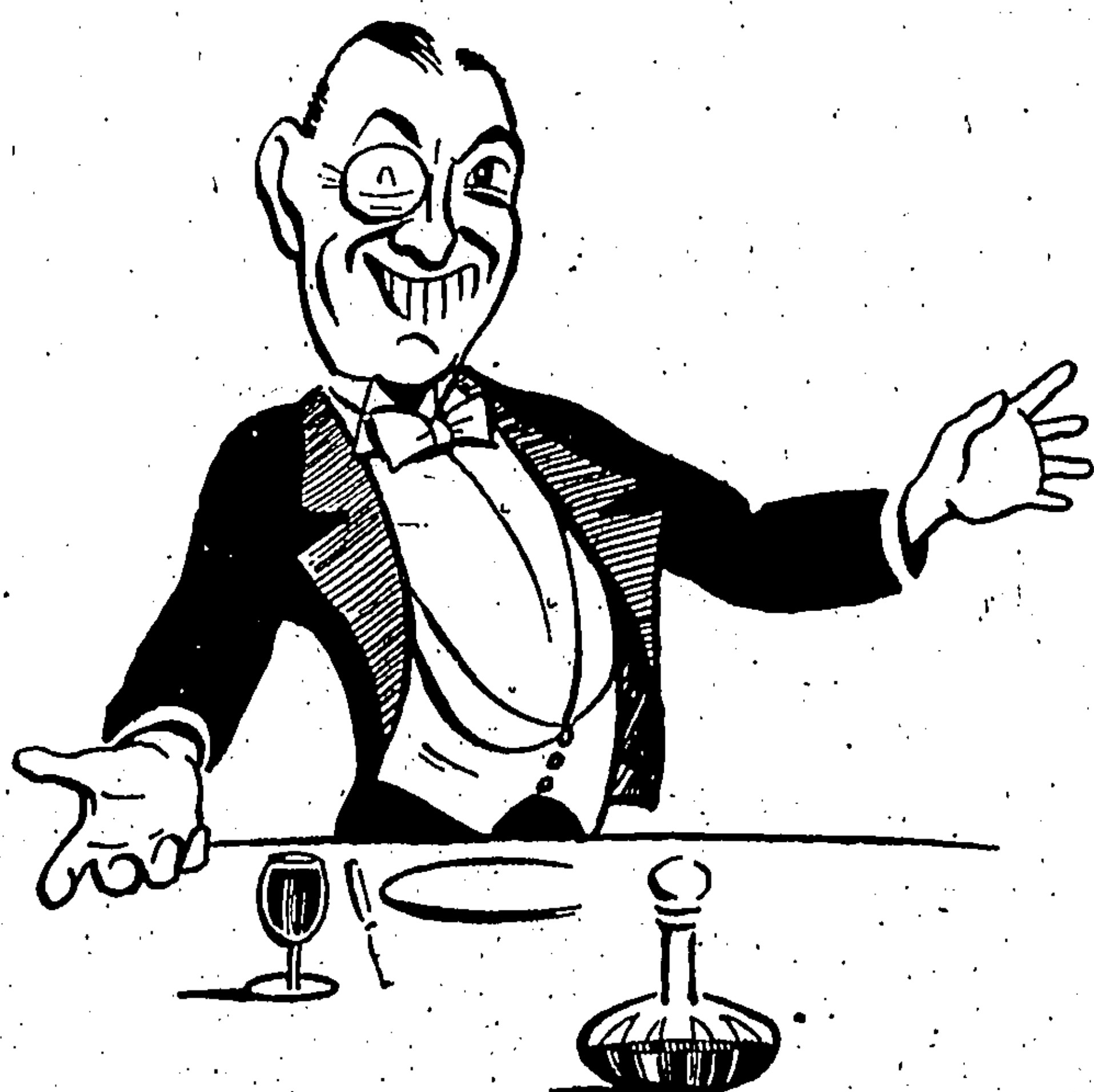
The Association will accept the rules and regulations of the game as observed by the Royal and Ancient golf club of St. Andrews.

PROS. SEEK PROTECTION

In connection with the rules of the Association, the St. Andrews club is seeking a new definition of an amateur. Lord Wardington has suggested that professionals might assist in this matter. Previously the definition was sought to protect the amateurs from the professionals. The professionals now seek protection from the encroachments of the amateur.

One of the steps in the direction of protecting the professional is the appeal by the St. Andrews club to abolish the practice of giving prizes of too high a value. There will also be an attempt to abolish sweepstakes which run as high as a £1000 in some clubs.

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England's Davis Cup Task

DID NOT MAKE PLANS FOR FUTURE CONTINGENCIES

Other Nations Produce Champions Before They Are 21

ENGLAND'S hopes of success in the 1938 Davis Cup series are negligible. D. W. Butler, E. J. Filby, C. M. Jones, C. McPhail, R. A. Shayer and F. H. D. Wilde have been chosen to train, with a view to Davis Cup selection. No matter who the players are selected from this group to comprise the team, England's chances of progressing very far in the European zone are very slender.

H. W. AUSTIN, C. E. HARE, G. P. HUGHES AND C. R. D. TUCKEY ARE UNAVAILABLE. "BUNNY" AUSTIN AND "PAT" HUGHES HAVE SERVED ENGLAND FOR MANY YEARS AS MEMBERS OF HER DAVIS CUP TEAM, AND THEIR ABSENCE IS A TREMENDOUS LOSS.

Fred Perry's decision to turn pro. before the 1937 series was a catastrophe for English tennis, and definitely sounded the death-knell of England's Davis Cup superiority.

Austin, as second singles player to the great Perry, established a wonderful reputation in Davis Cup matches, and he played no small part in maintaining England's prestige for a number of years.

Hughes, as Perry's doubles partner, did his share, too, although not in so big a way as the redoubtable Austin. Despite the great support accorded Perry in Davis Cup play, by Austin and Hughes, it was apparent that Perry's absence would end the successful reign of England.

The spectre of professionalism over-shadowed England's Davis Cup hope for about two years, and finally the paid ranks claimed him shortly after its success in the Challenge round of 1936.

FOUGHT VALIANTLY

Consequently England was called upon to defend the coveted trophy without its greatest bulwark of defence, F. J. Perry, in 1937.

Austin was the No. 1 player on this occasion with C. E. Hare the second singles player. C. R. D. Tuckey and F. H. D. Wilde were the doubles pair.

The English team fought valiantly in defence of the Davis Cup, but could win only one rubber out of five.

This was credited to Austin, who beat F. A. Parker (U.S.A.) 6-3, 6-2, 7-5.

Thus the Cup was lost to England, and it will be many, many years before it returns.

NO PLANS FOR FUTURE

England has relied too much upon reigning champions, and has not planned for the day when the likes of Perry, Austin, Hughes, etc., would no longer rally forth in quest or defence of the emblem of world's tennis superiority.

Perry, of course, turned pro. at the zenith of his career, but it is most surprising that Hughes and Austin—particularly the latter—have managed to retain their form in the strenuous atmosphere of world's championship tennis of today.

Austin is many years older than

the leading players of Australia and America.

SHOULD HAVE SEEN DANGER

English authorities must have been aware of the future that awaited them if they did not institute a scheme for coaching their juniors and, what is more important, the more youthful.

It is obvious that some effort was made along these lines, but it is equally obvious that such methods were not far-reaching enough.

Australia and America are producing outstanding Davis Cup players long before they are 21 years of age—undoubtedly the results of specialised encouragement of such players at an early age.

PEARCE ACCEPTS PADDON'S CHALLENGE

Sydney, March 31.

H. R. Pearce has accepted the challenge of Evans Paddon to race for the world's sculling title. Pearce desires the contest to take place in Canada.

Young Paddon has proved himself Australia's most outstanding sculler and should have an excellent chance of winning the title. He is 24 years of age, 6ft high and sculls at about 13 stone.

His two recent victories have shown him to have a match-racing temperament, which is a very necessary adjunct to sculling success.

NO DATE YET

The date has not yet been fixed, but, according to the rules, should take place within six months from the date of acceptance of the challenge.

About \$1500 will be necessary to defray the expenses of Paddon and a trainer. This includes the stake of \$500.

More than half of this has already been subscribed, and the committee feel confident of obtaining the balance.

Mr. George Towns, boat-builder, of Gladesville (N.S.W.), generously offered to present an outrigger and sculls to Paddon for the race.

Such evidence of junior coaching success should have awakened England to the danger ahead if she did not follow the same lines.

WELL SPENT

America has spent, with wonderful results, infinitely more than Australia on its tennis "nursery." No stone is left unturned in their search for champions, and to-day there are 28 Davis Cup squads in various parts of America.

"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

I notice that Mr. A. el Arculli, president, availed himself of the opportunity offered by the annual athletic meeting of the Indian Recreation Club, to defend the tactics of the I.R.C. Cricket eleven in their replay with Craigengower, for the Senior Championship.

There has been a great deal of ink spilt over this matter already, but I make no apology for once more resurrecting it. It will be recalled that two matches were played between the two Clubs in an attempt to settle this question of the shield outright. The first game was washed out by rain shortly before 5 o'clock and the second was played the following week.

On that occasion, Craigengower batted first and, after being tied into small knots by A. R. Minu, eventually managed to scrape together a total of 125, the innings occupying just under two hours and 20 minutes. Although Minu had bowled well enough, there was certainly nothing in it to suggest that it was in any way unplayable. Actually there was far more loose stuff than this excellent trundler is wont to serve up.

However, the Valley batsmen—with one or two exceptions—made no effort to score runs, and for the most part appeared quite content to let them come. I.R.C. commenced their innings at about 4.40 and lost S. A. Ismail to Francis Zimmern within the first couple of overs. Nazarin and A. H. Madar were then associated in a profitable stand and, when A. R. Abbas continued the good work, after the dismissal of Nazarin, and found the rails on several occasions with beautifully timed hooks off Billimoria, the Indians appeared to be well on top.

Then came a rot, Minu and Arthur Rumjahn were out in the space of a few minutes, and when M. el Arculli, No. 3, started batting, it was evident that he was playing for keeps. It was this innings that aroused most of the criticism. Many maintained that he should have gone for the runs as there was then some 40 minutes left for play.

Taking into consideration the fact that three wickets had fallen in the space of two overs, that Billimoria was bowling very accurately, that Craigengowers' fielding was superb and that the light could not be expected to remain good for much longer, I cannot see what other type of innings Arculli could have been expected to play, especially as two of the batsmen to follow were comparatively inexperienced. There were 70 runs required when he went in to bat and 40 minutes left to get them—not a really difficult task under normal circumstances—but, I maintain, these could not be defined as normal circumstances.

The field was keyed up to concert pitch. How much could be expected of succeeding batsmen if either Madar or Arculli were dismissed? And, after all, if a side feels that the task of scoring a victory is beyond them it is, as the President of the I.R.C. said, quite justified in playing for a draw as so many other teams have done in the course of the season without arousing any comment. I repeat, in conclusion, that the rear-guard action fought by Arculli and Madar, and later by M. P. Madar, was an illustration of cricket at its best and as such is to be commended.

THE present group of English Davis Cup potentialities may contain future champions, but of this I am extremely doubtful, in view of their recent performances.

England's future at tennis must be based on the encouragement of promising boys from about the age of 15 or 16 years.

Such players should be taken in hand and given special coaching under the control of the English tennis authorities. The scheme should be as embracing as is possible, and the boys concerned given every opportunity to further their ability.

This method has proved an unequalled success in America, and England must put her tennis "house" in order in the same way.

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"SKIP'S" BOWLS NOTES WILL APPEAR ON THURSDAYS

1937 ATHLETIC RANKING LIST

SEVEN WORLD RECORDS FELL DURING THE YEAR

UNITED STATES STILL HEADS THE LIST

(By V. C. DAVIS)

Sydney.

THE year 1937 was a great one in world track and field athletics. To-day "The Referee" presents readers with the "best tens" in 1937 in all the major events. These lists have been compiled from results all over the world. They reveal many interesting things.

The most interesting from the Australian viewpoint is the fact that the two Australians, Magee and Johnston, led the world in quarter-mile hurdling in 1937. Both of these should improve by the time of the next Olympic Games, and may possibly gain selection in the Australian team.

One must stress the fact, however, that most countries race over 400 metres hurdles, and that if they turned their attention to the yardage system there are half-a-dozen in the world capable of bettering the Australian figures. Hardin (U.S.A.), Loaring (Canada), Benke (U.S.A.), Gonzales (Argentine), Patterson (U.S.A.), and White (Philippines) are six that come readily to mind.

In the hop, step and jump Australia gained second (Metcalfe), sixth (Dickenson), and seventh (Miller) places in the world's ranking list. Ilovaara, of Finland, was hop, step and jumping's big find of 1937. His 5ft 3in gained him first place in the world.

In Ilovaara, Rajasari, and Luoma, Finland has the finest trio of hop, step and jumpers in her athletic history. America is giving more attention to this event, and Brown of that country gained 9th placing in the world.

Togami, the Japanese who visited Australia and New Zealand in 1936, was third on the list. Tajima, Japan's world's record holder at 52ft 5 3/4 in., did not record a performance.



Seven world's records were broken in 1937:—The 880 yards, 800 metres, one mile, two miles, high jump, hammer throw, and pole vault. Of these, four were made by Americans.

In the sprinting, no one man of the class of Jesse Owens has yet come forward. But as usual America has many more great sprinters than any other country in the world. From these it appears likely that the next Olympic champion will come.



WORLD-BEATER

Perrin Walker, huge white American, is regarded as a possible world-beater. But the trio of crack Englishmen cannot be disregarded, for Holmes is improving, while Sweeney and Pennington are very close to him. It remains to be seen how Ben Johnson, America's much praised negro, will fare in world company.

The new era in athletics in Germany brought on by the holding of the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin has not suddenly petered out. Germany has five sprinters, two half-milers, one mile, four hurdlers, a broad jumper, two shot putters, five hammer throwers, and a discus thrower, all in the first flight of the world. So a good showing from Germany at the next Olympiad may be anticipated.

RECORDS YET!

Elroy Robinson (U.S.A.) made a new world's record for 880 yards and 800 metres, but American critics are doubtful if he is a superior runner to Johnny Woodruff, the big negro winner at the '36 Olympics. Woodruff is among the world's best at 440 yards also.

In 1937 S. C. Wooderson (England) made a new world's one mile record, only to have it broken this year by Glenn Cunningham. Still Wooderson tops the list of performers in 1937. It will be interesting to see what he can do to the mile record this year.

Szabo, of Hungary, came on by leaps and bounds last year. He heads the world in 1500 metres with 3.48.6s., a few yards outside Lovelock's world's record, and in two miles, in which he made a world's record in 1937, of 8m. 54s. In addition to this, he was second in the 3000 metres list to Jonsson of Sweden.

SWEDISH NURMI

Jonsson, who had come third in the 5000 metres at the 1936 Olympic Games, ran a mile in 4m. 8.8s., 1500 metres in 3.51.4s., and 3000 metres in 8.15.8s., all just a few seconds outside the world's records.

In the hurdling, a feature was the progress of the Englishman, Finlay, who got down to 14.1s. for 120 yards hurdles. Osgood, of America, headed the world with 14s.

RECOVERS

Matti Jarvenin, greatest javelin thrower the world has known, recovered from his injured back, which had prevented him from giving his best at the 1936 Olympics and tossed the spear

250ft. 10 5/8 in. The merit of that throw may be assessed from the fact that the winning throw of the Canadian, Courtright, at the Empire Games, was only 206ft. 0 3/4 in.

Nine of the winning performances at the Berlin Olympics of 1936 were beaten by athletes in 1937. So progress marches on. The least we can expect is for many Olympic records to be broken in 1940.

"BEST TENS"

The following are the "best tens" in every important event. It will be noted that in some cases several athletes tied for tenth place.

100 YARDS DASH

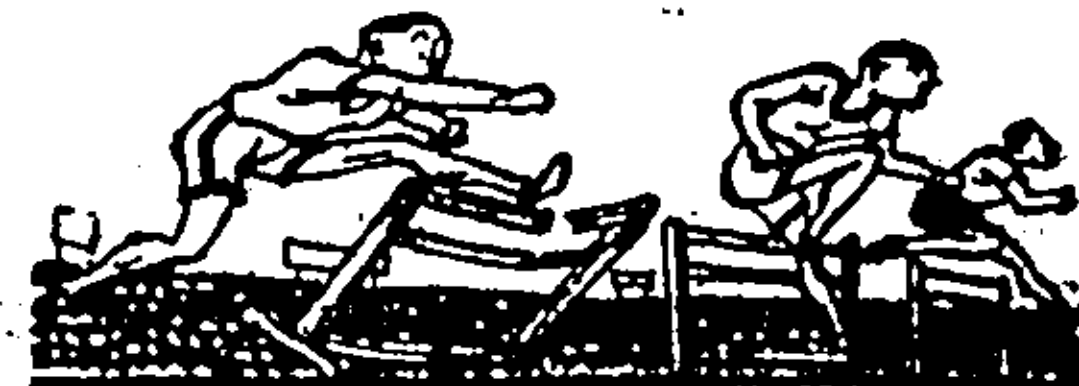
- 9.6—Talley (U.S.A.).
- 9.6—Davis (U.S.A.).
- 9.6—Stoller (U.S.A.).
- 9.6—Clifford (U.S.A.).
- 9.6—Robinson (U.S.A.).
- 9.6—Dean (U.S.A.).
- 9.6—Collier (U.S.A.).
- 9.6—Holt (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Peacock (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Tolmich (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Sinclair (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Beard (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Carter (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Powers (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Hay (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Ellison (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Greer (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Ransin (South Africa).
- 9.7—Glickman (U.S.A.).
- 9.7—Sweeney (England).

100 METRES DASH

- 10.4—Walker (U.S.A.).
- 10.4—Sweeney (England).
- 10.4—Pennington (England).
- 10.4—Holmes (England).
- 10.4—Hornberger (Germany).
- 10.4—Osendarp (Holland).
- 10.4—Gyenes (Hungary).
- 10.4—Mariani (Italy).
- 10.5—Tolmich (U.S.A.).
- 10.5—Neil (U.S.A.).
- 10.5—Robinson (U.S.A.).
- 10.5—Nederman (Germany).
- 10.5—Borchmeyer (Germany).
- 10.5—Vogelsang (Germany).
- 10.5—Melles (Germany).
- 10.5—Strandberg (Sweden).

220 YARDS DASH

- 20.7—Carter (U.S.A.).
- 20.7—Mills (U.S.A.).
- 20.7—Weiershauser (U.S.A.).
- 20.8—Rodenkirchen (U.S.A.).



- 20.9—Richardson (U.S.A.).
- 20.9—Moser (U.S.A.).
- 20.9—Greer (U.S.A.).
- 21.0—Johnson (U.S.A.).
- 21.0—Collier (U.S.A.).
- 21.1—Bryant (U.S.A.).

200 METRES DASH

- 20.8—Johnson (U.S.A.).
- 20.9—Weiershauser (U.S.A.).
- 20.9—Neil (U.S.A.).
- 21.0—Haenni (Switzerland).
- 21.0—Cagle (U.S.A.).
- 21.2—Richardson (Canada).
- 21.3—Pennington (England).
- 21.4—Osendarp (Holland).
- 21.5—O'Sullivan (U.S.A.).
- 21.5—Holmes (England).

440 YARDS DASH

- 46.9—Benke (U.S.A.).
- 47.0—Woodruff (U.S.A.).
- 47.1—Malott (U.S.A.).
- 47.5—Shore (South Africa).
- 47.6—Brown (U.S.A.).
- 47.7—Brown (England).
- 47.7—Young (U.S.A.).
- 47.8—Halcrow (U.S.A.).
- 47.9—Belcher (U.S.A.).
- 48.0—Gill (U.S.A.).
- 48.0—Saunders (U.S.A.).

400 METRES DASH

- 47.1—Shore (South Africa).
- 47.1—Young (U.S.A.).
- 47.2—Brown (England).
- 47.3—Malott (U.S.A.).
- 47.4—Belcher (U.S.A.).
- 47.5—Roberts (England).
- 47.6—Harbig (Germany).
- 47.7—Kovacs (Hungary).
- 47.8—Wachenfeldt (Sweden).
- 48.3—Cagle (U.S.A.).

880 YARDS RUN

- 1.40.6—Robinson (U.S.A.) (World's Record).
- 1.50.0—Woodruff (U.S.A.).
- 1.51.6—Palmason (U.S.A.).
- 1.52.2—Brown (England).
- 1.52.2—Beetham (U.S.A.).
- 1.52.8—Bush (U.S.A.).
- 1.52.8—Kucharski (Poland).
- 1.52.8—Handley (England).
- 1.53.1—Collyer (England).
- 1.53.3—McCabe (England).
- 1.53.7—Davidson (U.S.A.).

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800 METRES RUN
 1.49.6—Robinson (U.S.A.) (World's Record).
 1.50.0—Woodruff (U.S.A.).
 1.50.5—Lanzi (Italy).
 1.50.7—Borck (U.S.A.).
 1.50.9—Harbig (Germany).
 1.51.1—Venske (U.S.A.).
 1.51.4—Cunningham (U.S.A.).
 1.52.2—Brown (England).
 1.52.3—Linnhoff (Germany).
 1.52.4—Collyer (England).

MILE RUN
 4.6.6—Wooderson (Eng.) (World's Record).
 4.7.2—San Romani (U.S.A.).
 4.7.2—Lash (U.S.A.).
 4.7.4—Cunningham (U.S.A.).
 4.8.8—Jonsson (Sweden).
 4.10—Beccali (Italy).
 4.11—Smith (U.S.A.).
 4.13.4—Bradley (U.S.A.).
 4.13.8—Emery (England).
 4.13.9—Venske (U.S.A.).

1500 METRES RUN
 3.48.6—Szabo (Hungary).
 3.50.3—San Romani (U.S.A.).
 3.51.0—Wooderson (England).
 3.51.2—Beccali (Italy).
 3.51.4—Jonsson (Sweden).
 3.51.8—Cunningham (U.S.A.).
 3.53.2—Schaumburg (Germany).
 3.53.4—Venske (U.S.A.).
 3.54.2—Nilsson (Sweden).
 3.55.0—Matilainen (Finland).

2 MILES RUN
 8.56—Szabo (Hungary) (World's Record).
 8.58—Lash (U.S.A.).
 9.3.5—Wayne (U.S.A.).
 9.7.6—Decard (U.S.A.).
 9.14.2—Rice (U.S.A.).
 9.16.2—Sears (U.S.A.).
 9.19.8—Murakoso (Japan).
 9.19.8—Ward (England).
 9.19.9—Lockner (U.S.A.).
 9.24.6—Cunningham (U.S.A.).

3000 METRES RUN
 8.15.8—Jonsson (Sweden).
 8.17.8—Szabo (Hungary).
 8.19.1—Pekuri (Finland).
 8.24.5—Maki (Finland).
 8.25.4—Kurki (Finland).
 8.25.7—Askola (Finland).
 8.29.0—Schaumburg (Germany).
 8.29.1—Sarkman (Hungary).
 8.33.7—Lindblad (Finland).
 8.34.0—Castro (Chile).

3 MILES RUN
 14.11.6—Murakoso (Japan).
 14.19.8—Ward (England).
 14.23.8—Hughes (England).
 14.26.4—Dainty (England).
 14.30.2—Kelen (Hungary).
 14.30.6—Harrison (England).
 14.32.8—Parker (Ireland).
 14.33.8—Noji (Poland).
 14.35.2—Holden (England).
 14.35.6—Carstairs (Scotland).
 14.37.0—Hennessey (England).

120 YARDS HURDLES
 14.0—Osgood (U.S.A.).
 14.1—Finlay (England).
 14.3—Hartigan (U.S.A.).
 14.3—Towns (U.S.A.).
 14.3—Staley (U.S.A.).
 14.5—Humphreys (U.S.A.).
 14.5—Kearns (U.S.A.).
 14.5—Patterson (U.S.A.).
 14.5—Thornton (England).
 14.6—Gubser (U.S.A.).
 14.6—Robinson (U.S.A.).
 14.6—Donovan (U.S.A.).

110—METRES HURDLES
 14.2—Finlay (England).
 14.2—Staley (U.S.A.).
 14.3—Sjostedt (Finland).
 14.3—Lidman (Sweden).
 14.3—Kirkpatrick (U.S.A.).
 14.5—Tolmich (U.S.A.).
 14.5—Nelson (U.S.A.).
 14.5—Thornton (England).
 14.6—Sumner (U.S.A.).
 14.6—Wegener (Germany).

220 YARDS HURDLES
 32.2—Weiershauser (U.S.A.).
 32.2—Hucker (U.S.A.).
 32.3—Vickery (U.S.A.).
 32.4—Cardwell (U.S.A.).
 32.4—La Salle (U.S.A.).
 32.4—Tolmich (U.S.A.).
 32.5—Hartigan (U.S.A.).
 32.5—Gubser (U.S.A.).
 32.5—Fishback (U.S.A.).
 32.6—Berkeley (U.S.A.).
 32.6—Towns (U.S.A.).
 32.6—Irwin (U.S.A.).
 32.6—Donovan (U.S.A.).
 32.6—Mills (U.S.A.).

440 YARDS HURDLES
 53.5—Magee (Australia).
 54.2—Johnston (Australia).
 54.8—Kovacs (Hungary).
 55.0—Bosmans (Belgium).
 55.0—Anderson (New Zealand).
 55.2—Barnes (England).
 55.7—Byers (England).
 56.1—Stenner (Australia).
 56.3—Sheffield (England).

400 METRES HURDLES
 52.2—Benke (U.S.A.).
 52.2—Gonzales (Argentina).
 52.3—Patterson (U.S.A.).
 53.3—Hoelling (Germany).
 53.6—Scheele (Germany).
 53.8—Boehm (Germany).
 54.0—Areskou (Sweden).
 54.0—Weiershauser (U.S.A.).
 54.1—Kurten (Germany).
 54.2—Aihara (Japan).

HIGH JUMP
 6.10%—Walker (U.S.A.) (World's Record).
 6.9%—Burke (U.S.A.).
 6.8%—Albritton (U.S.A.).
 6.7 8-10—Lundquist (Sweden).
 6.7 8-10—Odmark (Sweden).
 6.7%—Kovtoun (U.S.S.R.).
 6.7%—Johnson (U.S.A.).
 6.7—Thurber (U.S.A.).
 6.7—Vickery (U.S.A.).
 6.7—Smith (U.S.A.).

BROAD JUMP
 25.11%—Long (Germany).
 25.10%—King (U.S.A.).
 25.5%—Robinson (U.S.A.).
 25.4%—Brooks (U.S.A.).
 25.3—Nutting (U.S.A.).
 25.0%—Maffei (Italy).
 25.0—Clark (U.S.A.).
 24.11%—Peacock (U.S.A.).
 24.10—Walker (U.S.A.).
 24.9%—Hubbard (U.S.A.).

HOP, STEP AND JUMP
 51.3—Illovaara (Finland).
 50.10%—Metcalfe (Australia).
 50.7%—Togami (Japan).
 50.2—Reccius (Chile).
 50.1%—Rajasari (Finland).
 50.0%—Dickenson (Australia).
 49.10—Miller (Australia).
 49.7%—Luoma (Finland).
 49.7%—Brown (U.S.A.).
 49.1—Harada (Japan).

16lb. SHOT PUTT
 53.6—Francis (U.S.A.).
 53.4%—Woeke (Germany).
 52.10%—Watson (U.S.A.).
 52.7%—Reynolds (U.S.A.).
 52.7%—Allee (U.S.A.).
 52.2%—Zaitz (U.S.A.).
 51.9%—Barlund (Finland).
 51.7 1-10—Bergh (Sweden).
 51.6—Triepe (Germany).
 51.2—Ryan (U.S.A.).

16lb. HAMMER THROW
 198.8%—O'Callaghan (Ireland) (World's Record).
 187.8 8-10—Hein (Germany).
 179.4—Blask (Germany).
 179.2%—Folwartzny (U.S.A.).
 178.7%—Lutz (Germany).
 177.2%—Greulitz (Germany).
 175.6—Heino (Finland).
 174.11—Rowe (U.S.A.).
 173.5—Kuefner (Germany).
 173.2—Kleger (Argentina).

DISCUS THROW
 169.2%—Sorlie (Norway).
 168.7—Pritchard (U.S.A.).
 168.2%—Kotkas (Finland).
 165.8%—Oberweger (Italy).
 165.6%—Schroeder (Germany).
 165.1—Levy (U.S.A.).
 163.6%—Carpenter (U.S.A.).
 163.2%—Dunn (U.S.A.).
 162.10—Syllas (Greece).
 162.0—Kulitz (Hungary).

JAVELIN THROW
 250.10%—Jarvinen (Finland).
 245.4%—Nikkanen (Finland).
 235.0%—Atterval (Sweden).
 231.7—Issak (Estland).
 230.11—Sule (Estland).
 229.8%—Barszegi (Hungary).
 229.2%—Terry (U.S.A.).
 225.5—Peoples (U.S.A.).
 224.9%—Reitz (U.S.A.).
 223.9%—Range (Finland).

POLE VAULT
 14.11—Sefton (U.S.A.) (World's Record).
 14.11—Meadows (U.S.A.) (World's Record).
 14.7%—Warmerdam (U.S.A.).
 14.7%—Varoff (U.S.A.).
 14.4—Mauger (U.S.A.).
 14.3%—Ohe (Japan).
 14.1%—Adahi (Japan).
 14.0—Osolin (U.S.S.R.).
 14.0—Dill (U.S.A.).
 14.0—Ganslen (U.S.A.).



OPEN SINGLES FINAL TO-MORROW

We have been informed by Mr. P. E. Baskett, acting Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Cricket Club that the Final of the Open Singles Tennis Championship between H. D. Rumjahn (holder) and Tsui Wai-pui will be played to-morrow. The final of the Open Doubles between H. D. and S. A. Rumpahn and the Tsui brothers will be played next Tuesday, weather permitting.

CARTER SCORES 100TH GOAL

London, March 30.—Carter, the Sunderland inside-forward, scored his hundredth goal in League football during the match with West Bromwich Albion, who were well beaten.

RECREIO BOWLS TEAMS FOR NEXT SATURDAY

The following have been selected to represent Club de Recreio in the three divisions of the Lawn Bowls League, next Saturday, commencing at 3.30 p.m.:

1st Division (Away) vs. K.C.C.
 J. Luz, C. A. Lopes, A. A. Remedios, and H. A. Alves (Skip).
 L. F. Xavier, F. V. V. Ribeiro, J. E. Noronha, and C. G. Silva (Skip).
 J. F. Ribeiro, C. E. Marques, R. F. Luz, and F. X. M. Silva (Skip).
2nd Division (Home) vs. C.S.C.C.
 F. A. Machado, D. C. Alves, C. H. Basto, and J. J. Basto (Skip).
 L. A. Gutierrez, F. A. Xavier, Dr. A. F. Gutierrez, and B. Basto (Skip).
 G. C. Pereira, A. V. Barros, L. J. Silva, and F. X. Soares (Skip).
3rd Division (Away) vs. R.H.K.Y.C.
 A. F. Noronha, F. Marques, C. F. Remedios, and C. R. Pereira (Skip).
 F. Prata, C. P. Basto, A. M. Xavier, J. M. S. Rosario (Skip).
 A. E. Xavier, J. Figueirado, M. A. Carvalho, and F. A. Yvanovich (Skip).

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1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Leslie Hutchinson (Piano) And Roy Fox and His Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Schubert—Trio No. 1 In B Flat—Op. 99.
Played by Cortot, Thibaud And Casals—Instrumental Trio.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00-7.00 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7.00 p.m.—A Spanish Programme.
Spanish Dance No. 1—Oriental (Granados).
Spanish Dance No. 2—Andelouse (Granados).
New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.
La Zingarella (Paisiello).
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Spanish Dance No. 3—Rondalla Aragonesa (Granados).
Triana (Albeniz Orchestrated by Arbog).
New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.
Un Barberillo Alegre—Cancion (J. L. Medico—Villa—F. Prado).
Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano).
Granada—Spanish Suite (Albeniz).
Cordoba—Cantos de Espana (Albeniz).
Orquesta Odeon conducted by Mtro. Godes.
7.32 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.35 p.m.—The Mills Brothers And The Ballyhooligans.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Orchestral.
German Dances Nos. 1 and 2 (K.605) (Mozart).
German Dance No. 3—"Die Schlit-

tenfahrt" (K.605)—(Mozart).
Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.
8.10 p.m.—Studio—A Recital by Anne Balfour (Soprano) accompanied by C. H. G. Harper.
Melodies Polonaises. Music by F. Chopin. Words (in French) by Victor Wilder.
8.30 p.m.—London Relay—"The Lover." A play by G. Martinez Sierra. Translated from the Spanish by John Garrett Underhill.
Characters:
The Queen; The Lover;
The Lady-in-Waiting.
Scene:
A salon in a royal palace.
8.55 p.m.—Violin Solos.
Prelude (From "Sonata No. 1 in G Minor for Solo Violin"—J. S. Bach).
Two Minuets (From "Sonata No. 6 in E. Major for Solo Violin"—J. S. Bach).
Henry Merckel.
Folies D'Espagne (Corelli).
Georges Enesco (Violin) with Sanford Schlusell at the Piano.
Gavotte (F. J. Gossec).
Carlos Sedano (Violin Solo).
9.10 p.m.—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.
Hungarian Dance No. 1.
Orch. conducted by Leopold Stokowski.
"Carmen"—Entr'acte, Act 4 (Bizet).
"Carmen"—Prelude To Act 1 (Bizet).
Orch. conducted by L. Stokowski.
Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 2 (Liszt).
Orch. conducted by L. Stokowski.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Variety.
Accordion Virtuoso—
Woodland Flowers (Felix Burns).
Black And White (George Botsford).
Viljo Vesterinen.
Vocal—
The Return Of Abdul Abulbul Amir (Crumit).
I'm Bettin' The Roll On Roamer (Curtis and Crumit).
Frank Crumit (Tenor).
Piano Duets—
Roberta—Selection (Kern).
With Drums.
Arthur Young And Reginald Forsythe.
10.10 p.m.—London Relay—"The Chester Cup."
A running commentary on the race from the Roodeye, Chester.
10.25 p.m.—Latest Dance Music.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

Spanish Music: German Dances: Violin Solos

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5.00 a.m.—Big Ben. 'Green Fields and Pavements.' A talk.
5.15 a.m.—Musical Variety.
5.30 a.m.—'The Gang, Smasher' (Episode 5). A radio serial adapted from the novel The Gang Smasher by Hugh Clevely.
5.50 a.m.—The Music of Cesar Franck.
6.20 a.m.—The Opening of the Empire Exhibition (Scotland) by his Majesty the King.
6.50 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 7.00 a.m.
7.15 a.m.—Close Down.

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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. 'Palace of Varieties.'
11.45 a.m.—Talk by the Chief Engineer of the BBC.
12.00 p.m.—The Chamber Music of Mozart.
12.30 p.m.—'The Lover.' A play.
12.55 p.m.—The Aston Hippodrome Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.57 p.m.—Close Down.

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1.57 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. Irish Dance Music.
2.10 p.m.—The Chester Cup: A running commentary on the race, from the Roodeye Racecourse, Chester.
2.25 p.m.—Six Days' Cycle Race (Third Day): A commentary on the race. From the Empire Pool and Sports Arena, Wembley, London.
2.40 p.m.—The BBC Empire Orchestra.
3.15 p.m.—'Take your Choice.' A weekly entertainment feature.
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—'Let's Go to the Theatre.' Stories and songs from London Shows.
4.40 p.m.—'World Affairs.' A talk by H. Wickham Stead.
5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

How Good Are You?

Mr. Culbertson is conducting, through this column, an examination of bridge players. Rate yourself by subtracting from 100 the points for each wrong answer.

YESTERDAY'S QUESTIONS

Question 33: You are East, defending against a three no trump contract. The bidding has proceeded:

North	East	South	West
1 diamond	1 spade	2 no trump	Pass
3 no trump	Pass	Pass	Pass

West, your partner, leads the seven of spades. Dummy and your hand are:

NORTH
S.—Q 3
H.—K 6
D.—A K 7 5 4 3
C.—J 9 5

EAST
S.—A 10 9 6 5
H.—Q J 4
D.—2
C.—A Q 10 8

Dummy plays the three to the first trick. What line of defence do you elect, and what is your reason, or your hope?

Answer: You should win with the spade ace and shift to the club queen. You know from West's opening lead that declarer started with at least the K-J-8 of spades. Thus, he must make two spade tricks. The best you can hope is that West has a diamond stopper. Undoubtedly, declarer will have to clear the diamond suit. Your club queen lead (covered and won by declarer's probable and won by declarer's probable king) leaves you with the A-10-8 over dummy's J-9. Your partner, on winning with his diamond stopper, will return a club and give you, in all, five tricks. If your partner has the club king instead of a diamond stopper, your club shift is equally effective. (If you defended in this way, add two points to your score, as reward.)

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question 34: Both sides vulnerable. You are South, second hand. East deals and bids one spade. Your holding is:

S.—6 4 3, H.—7 2, D.—A K 10 7 5
C.—A 6 3.

What call do you make?

TO-DAY'S HAND

East, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S.—Q 7
H.—Q J 9 8 3
D.—A K 9
C.—6 4 3

WEST
S.—10 4
H.—K 7 6
D.—Q J 10 3 2
C.—K 10 9

EAST
S.—8 5 2
H.—10 5 4 2
D.—7 6 5
C.—J 7 2

SOUTH
S.—A K J 9 6 3
H.—A
D.—8 4
C.—A Q 8 5

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 2 spades Pass 3 hearts
Pass 4 clubs Pass 4 spades
Pass 5 no trump Pass 6 diamonds
Pass 7 spades Double Pass
Pass Pass

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: I was South. Admittedly, my last bid was on the optimistic side. West's final double told me that he probably held the club and heart kings and (I hoped) the Q-J-10 of diamonds. Hence, the following play: "West led the spade four. I won with the nine and led the heart ace; next, a low spade to dummy's queen, then a low heart was trumped with the six spot. I cashed the spade ace, West discarding the diamond deuce, and dummy the club three. I led a diamond to the king and ruffed the nine of hearts. The queen-jack of hearts now were good for two club discards, but I still had to make a place for my club queen. I led the spade king and West let go the club nine, dummy the club four. Now, my last diamond to dummy's ace and the queen-jack of hearts squeezed West to a pulp. On the last heart he had either to blank the club king or discard the high diamond. I felt pretty good about this hand and the way I had put West on the spot.

"Yours very truly,
"E. R. T., Rochester, N.Y."
I don't blame you for feeling good. You played perfectly. I must point out, however, that the squeeze would have failed without West's amazing cooperation on his opening lead. He had a perfect diamond lead and, if he had made it, the squeeze would have gone right up the flue. Dummy would have been short a vital entry toward the establishment of hearts.

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Dated the 2nd day of May, 1938.

By Order of The Stewards,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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KONOYE'S PROMISES TO WANG KEH-MIN

Tokyo, To-day.

A conversation of "historical importance," declares the Japanese press, took place yesterday between the Japanese Prime Minister, Prince Konoye, and the chief of the pro-Japanese "Government" in Peiping, Wang Keh-min.

Thanking Prince Konoye for the support received hitherto from Japan, Wang Keh-min asked for further help in overcoming the many difficulties with which, according to a semi-official report, the "Government" in Peiping has still to contend.

The Japanese Prime Minister, according to the same source of information, promised that Japan would cooperate with Peiping using all at her disposal in overcoming the difficulties mentioned and would give the Wang Keh-min Government her unreserved support.

CHIANG RULED OUT

"Japan will never negotiate with Chiang Kai-shek and his Government about peace," emphasised Prince Konoye. On behalf of the Peiping "Government," Wang Keh-min replied that the fundamental principle: "for Japan against the Kuomintang and against the Comintern" would never be relin-

FRANCO-ITALIAN TALKS HELD OVER

Rome, To-day.

No further discussions will be conducted between the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, and the French Charge d'Affaires, M. Blondel, during the Fuehrer's visit to Rome, and the meeting arranged for last night was cancelled.

Nevertheless Count Ciano and M. Blondel will remain in touch with each other so that the conversations may be resumed immediately after the Fuehrer's visit comes to an end.—Trans-Ocean.

DEATH IN PEACE TIME FOR SPIES

Paris, To-day.

The official "Gazette" declares that for National defence purposes a credit amounting to 4,712,500,000 francs was opened yesterday by a decree.

It is further declared that it is intended to make espionage and similar crimes punishable by death even in times of peace.—Trans-Ocean.

quished.

Semi-officially it is added that previously to this meeting between Wang Keh-min and Prince Konoye, the Prime Minister had had a long conversation with the War Minister, General Sugiyama.—Trans-Ocean.

NATIONAL MOBILISATION IN JAPAN

Tokyo, To-day.

Invocation by the Japanese Government of certain clauses of the National Mobilisation Bill has occasioned some surprise here, as the Government, when pressing for passage of the Bill through the Diet emphasised that there was no intention of invoking its powers during the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Political circles not closely associated with the Konoye parties are, however, inclined to treat the matter cynically, expressing the view that it was all along intended to use the powers under the Bill if the necessity arose.

Fixed profits, or subsidies, are to be guaranteed to all business affected by governmental control. — Our Own Correspondent.

GUERILLAS ROUND HANGCHOW

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

IT IS RELIABLY LEARNED THAT CHINESE GUERILLAS HAVE LANDED NORTH-WEST OF HANGCHOW, NEAR CHAPU.

Japanese quarters admit that these guerillas appeared in the vicinity, but declare they have been dealt with successfully.

Chinese mobile units have appeared at different spots along the coast north of Hangchow during the last week and have been harassing the communications of the Japanese in that region. — Our Own Correspondent.

CZECH MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Prague, To-day.

The municipal elections are to take place on May 29 in several thousand places in the Czechoslovakian Republic.

The official notification to this effect is expected early this morning.

The Czechoslovakian National Council has issued an appeal to the Czechoslovakian public asking that as far as possible, they should agree among themselves regarding the lists of candidates so as to avoid an electoral conference. — Trans-Ocean.

HITLER TALKS WITH IL DUCE TO BE SECRET

(Continued from Page 1)

tween Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, and Count Ciano during the next few days.

Right in the foreground stands the problem of the future of European politics regarded in the light of the relation of the Berlin-Rome Axis to France and Britain.

It is deemed not unlikely that the question of the Italian harbour of Trieste, which has arisen as the result of the reunion of Austria with Reich, will also be debated in the light of the fact that the commercial life of this city is now largely dependent upon the tariff policy of the German railways. — Trans-Ocean.

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